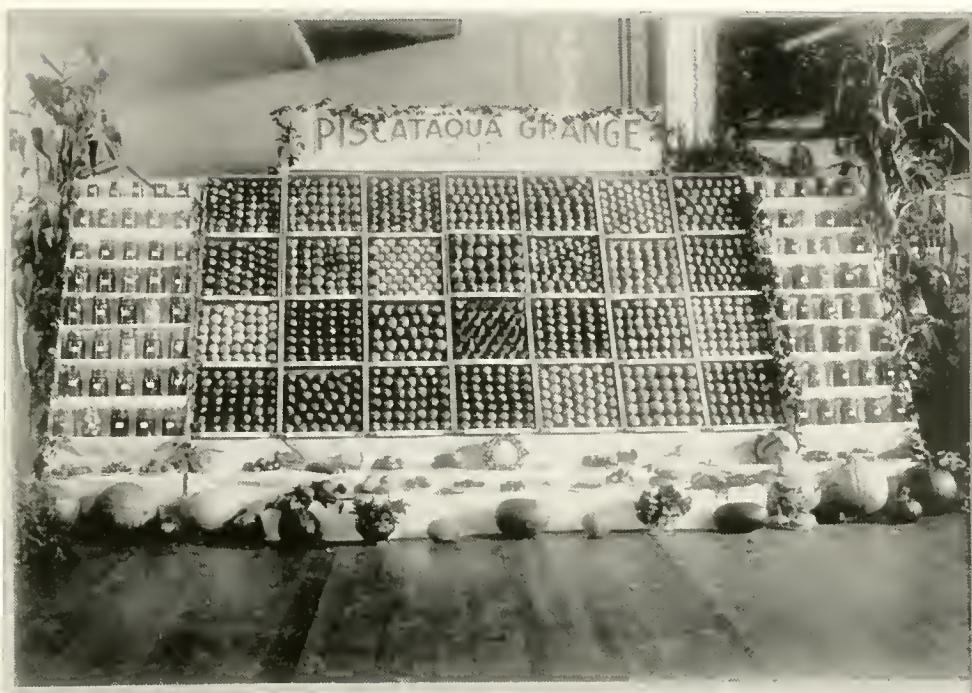


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Annual Report of the



Town of Newington
New Hampshire
For Year Ending December 31, 2003

Including the Annual Report of the
Newington School District
For Fiscal Year July 1, 2002 to June 30, 2003

The Town of Newington was mainly agricultural during the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. During these periods, apple orchards were predominant through the Town. Apples for cider were easily grown and a very economical drink. Cider was a significant source of income for Newington farmers and was used as a trading commodity. Newington cider was traded all over the world, including England and the West Indies. First the trees were pruned and nests of insects were removed. Apple picking season lasted from August through October. The apples were sorted by variety, quality and purpose. Cider mills were used to make the process easier and quicker. Residents would take their apples to the mills, have them pressed and fill their own barrels with the cider. During these harvest times, Newington farmers worked together to get the most from their farms, much like residents work together today. The apple industry of Newington lasted well into the 1940s but gradually faded as the commercial industry and Pease Air Force Base entered the picture.

The picture on the cover is M.S. Watson's First Prize Winning Apple Display at the 1927 Agricultural Fair.

Based on research from "Documenting the Vanishing Apple Orchards of Newington, New Hampshire" by Ellen W. Marlatt, M.A. and Kathleen Wheeler, Ph.D. of Independent Archaeological Consulting, LLC. in September of 2002.

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New Hampshire

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Men's Club painting the church parsonage, 1949

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Carriage House, Fox Point



Old Railroad Depot at Bloody Point

Dedications and Acknowledgements

Mrs. Barbara Hill served the Town of Newington for over 25 years before moving with her husband Robert to the State of Maine. Mrs. Hill served as a member of the Planning Board, Rockingham County Planning Commission and the Historic District Commission. Mrs. Hill worked tirelessly to protect and preserve Newington's historic structures, scenic vistas, cultural resources, archeological sites and the Oldest Town Forest in the United States. The Town of Newington thanks Barbara for her devotion to make Newington a Town we can all be proud to be a part of.



Mr. Richard Rines served the Town of Newington in many capacities during his 25 years of dedicated work. Mr. Rines maintained the Town Buildings, helped set up for functions and meetings, and was always available to help residents in need. Many people depended on Mr. Rines to get the job done. The Town of Newington appreciates Dick's years of devoted service to the Town and its residents.

The Newington Town Office would like to thank Barbara Myers, Gail Pare and Barbara Hill for their contributions to the Annual Report. It was greatly appreciated.

Town Officers

Board of Selectmen

Jack O'Reilly, Chairman
Jan Stuart
Cosmas Iocovozzi

Term Expires

2004
2005
2006

Administrative Assistant

Cynthia L. Gillespie

Secretary

Brenda Foster

Treasurer

George Fletcher 2004

Deputy Treasurer

Laura Coleman 2004

Town Clerk/ Tax Collector

W. Jane Mazeau 2006

Deputy Town Clerk/ Tax Collector

Theresa L. Tomlinson 2006

Moderator

Ruth K. Fletcher 2004

Supervisors of the Checklist

William White 2006
Paula Caceda 2007
Rhonda Baker- Hill 2008

Ballot Clerks

Jean Bowser 2004
Patricia Borkland 2004
Evangeline Brawn 2004
Linda Bullock 2004
Elisabeth Connors 2004
Mary Spinney 2004

Town Planner

Thomas Morgan

Planning Board

Sandy Hislop, Chairman	2004
John Frink	2004
Christopher Cross	2005
Jack Pare	2004
Robert W. Simms	2005
Dennis Hebert, Vice Chair	2006
Margaret Lamson, Alternate	2005

Board of Adjustment

Matthew Morton, Chairman	2004
Russell Cooke	2004
Richard Ford	2004
Edna Mosher	2004
Jill Newick, Alternate	2005
Ralph Estes, Alternate	2006
John Frink, Planning Board Rep.	

Building Inspector/ Code Enforcement Officer

Charles Smart

Electrical Inspector

Renato Maldini

Plumbing Inspector

Robert Hart Jr.

Animal Control Officer

Jan Stuart

Health and Welfare Officer

Margaret Lamson

Superintendent of Town Cemetery

William Beals

Assistant Superintendent of Town Cemetery

David Low

Cemetery Committee

Clifford Abbott	2004
Dorothy Watson	2005
Lulu Pickering	2006
Cosmas Iocovozzi, Selectmen's Rep.	

Board of Fire Engineers

William White	2004
Stephen Sabine	2004
Leslie Brock	2005
Cosmas Iocovozzi, Selectmen's Rep.	

Fire Chief

Roy Greenleaf

Assistant Fire Chief

Dennis Cote

Forest Warden

Timothy Field

Deputy Forest Wardens

Roy Greenleaf	2004
Dennis Cote	2004
David Low	2004
Thomas McQuade	2004
Kenneth Stanley Jr.	2004
Stephen Henry Sr.	2004

Police Commission

F. Jackson Hoyt	2004
Douglas Ross	2005
Vincent Frank	2006

Police Chief

Bradley Loomis

Emergency Management

Roy Greenleaf, Fire Department Chief
Bradley Loomis, Police Department Chief

Library Director

Becky Marks

Library Trustees

John R. Welch	2004
Patricia Bennett- Wood	2005
Meredith Hoyt	2006

Trustees of the Trust Funds

Paul Beswick, Chairman	2005
Randall Dunham	2006

Budget Committee

Alfred Smith, Chairman	2004
Leslie Brock	2004
Dennis Acton	2004
Wil Gilbert	2004
Kay Akerley	2005
Laura Coleman	2005
Gail Pare	2005
Candace Cantalupo	2006
Richard Spinney	2006
Jack O'Reilly, Selectmen's Rep.	
Jack Anderson, School Board Rep.	

Conservation Commission

Margaret Lamson, Chairperson	2005
Kay Ackerley, Vice Chair	2004
Nancy Cauvet, Alternate	2004
Jane Hislop	2004
Barbara McDonald	2004
Dorothy Watson	2004
George Fletcher	2005
John O'Reilly, Selectmen's Rep.	

Highway Safety Committee

William White
Jan Stuart, Selectmen's Rep.
Bradley Loomis, Police Chief
Roy Greenleaf, Fire Chief

Historic District Commission

Sue Carmichael, Chairman	2005
Pam Blevins, Alternate	2003
Gail Pare	2003
Laura Coleman, Alternate	2004
Winifred Welch	2004
Barbara Myers	2005

Recreation Committee

Peter MacDonald, Chairman	2004
Jack Anderson	2004
Jeff Boynton	2004
Keith Frizzell	2004
Krista Low	2004
Jeff Lowey	2004

Town Docks Coordinator

John R. Welch

Town Transfer Station Superintendent

Kenneth Pickering

Sewer Commission

Robert Hart, Sr.	2004
David Low	2005
George Fletcher	2006

Sewer Commission Treasurer

Jean Bowser	2004
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Sewer Commission Clerk

Ruth Fletcher	2004
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**Town of Newington
State of New Hampshire**

TOWN WARRANT

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Newington in the County of Rockingham and said State Qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Newington Town Hall on Tuesday, March 9, 2004 to act on Articles 1, 2 and 3. The Polls will open at 11:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m.

The Business portion of the Meeting to act on Articles through will resume on Saturday, March 13, 2004 at 1:30 p.m.

ARTICLE 1. To choose in the manner provided by law; one (1) **Selectman** for 3 years; one (1) **Moderator** for 2 years; one (1) **Treasurer** for 1 year; one (1) **Board of Fire Engineers** member for 3 years; one (1) **Board of Fire Engineers** member for 2 years; one (1) **Police Commissioner** for 3 years; one (1) **Library Trustee** for 3 years; one (1) **Cemetery Committee** member for 3 years; one (1) **Sewer Commissioner** for 3 years; three (3) **Budget Committee** members for three years; one (1) Budget Committee member for 2 years; two (2) **Planning Board** members for 3 years; one (1) **Planning Board** member for 2 years.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Newington Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by the Planning Board, by adding the following article and re-numbering the subsequent article accordingly:

AMENDMENT # 1: Revise Article V Section 2 (Office Zone) as indicated below (*underlined text indicates proposed language; text that is crossed out indicates a proposed deletion*):

B - Principal Uses Permitted:

(1) offices, research & development facilities, biotech facilities, light manufacturing, warehouses, hospitals, medical clinics, nursing homes, veterinary hospitals, schools, and facilities to treat the developmentally disabled.

~~and land uses which customarily support the preceding, such as hotels, motels, conference facilities, daycare, restaurants other than those with drive-up windows, and~~

(2) light manufacturing, providing that it does not cause excessive noise, vibrations, smoke, gas, fumes, odor, dust fire hazard, pollution, or conditions detrimental to the health, safety, or welfare of the community.

C - Accessory Uses Permitted:

- 1) Daycare facilities, hotels of 3 stories or higher, and conference centers;
- 2) Non-public dining facilities that occupy no more than 10% of the floor area of the building in which they are situated.

D - Uses Prohibited:

Restaurants other than those cited in paragraph C above, motels, and all other uses not expressly permitted by this ordinance.

AMENDMENT # 2: In Article II, revise the definition of “retail” by replacing the word “sale” with “sale, rent, or lease.”

AMENDMENT # 3: In Article V Section 3B (permitted uses in the Commercial Zone), add “vehicle dealers (sale, rental, or leasing)” to the list of permitted uses.

AMENDMENT # 4: Replace Article X “Wetlands Conservation District” with a new Article X, as follows:

Wetlands Conservation District

Section 1 - Purpose and Intent

The purpose of this article is to protect the public health, safety and general welfare; as well as, the wetland’s ecological integrity and function by controlling and guiding the use of land areas which have been found to be wetlands. It is intended that this article shall:

- A. Prevent development of structures and land uses on wetlands which will contribute to pollution of surface and groundwater by sewage or toxic substances or sedimentation;
- B. Prevent destruction of, or significant changes to natural wetlands which provide flood protection, provide filtration of water flowing into ponds and streams, augment stream flow during dry periods, or are connected to the ground or surface water supply;
- C. Protect wildlife habitats, maintain ecological balances and enhance ecological values such as those cited in RSA 483-A:1-b;
- D. Protect potential water supplies and existing aquifers (water bearing stratum) and aquifer recharge areas;
- E. Prevent unnecessary or excessive expense to the Town in providing or maintaining essential services and utilities which might be required as a result of misuse or abuse of wetlands;
- F. Prevent damage to structures and properties caused by inappropriate development of wetlands.

Section 2 - Wetlands Defined

"Wetland" is an area that is inundated or saturated by surface or groundwater at a frequency and duration sufficient to support and that under normal conditions does support, a prevalence of vegetation typically adapted for life in saturated soil conditions. Wetlands include, but are not limited to swamps, streams, ponds, vernal pools, marshes, bogs, tidal wetlands and similar areas. Man-made detention basins and treatment swales are not to be construed as wetlands.

"Tidal Wetlands" are defined as wetlands whose vegetation, hydrology or soils are influenced by periodic inundation of tidal waters.

"Vernal Pools" are defined as a temporary body of water providing essential breeding habitat for certain amphibians and invertebrates and that do not support fish. For reference, see *Identification and Documentation of Vernal Pools in New Hampshire, 1997*.

Delineation Requirements: The precise location of a wetland boundary in any particular case must be determined by on-site inspection of soils, vegetation, and hydrology by a New Hampshire Certified wetland scientist using the *Corps of Engineers Wetlands Delineation Manual, Technical Report Y-87-1*, (January 1987) and *Field Indicators for Identifying Hydric Soils in New England* (Version 2, July 1998) published by the New England Interstate Water Pollution Control Commission.

Section 3 - District Boundaries

The requirements of this article are applicable to the entire Town of Newington and include all jurisdictional wetlands as defined in Section 2 above; as well as, all prime wetlands shown on the most recent edition of the Town of Newington's Prime Wetland Map.

Section 4 - Permitted & Prohibited Land Uses in Wetlands

A – Prohibited uses include any use that alters the surface configuration of the land by the addition of fill or by dredging, except if expressly permitted in Section B below.

B – Permitted uses are as follows:

1. Agriculture, including grazing, crop production and the construction of fences, using *Best Management Wetlands Practices for Agriculture* (July 1993 - Amended September 1998) provided that such use does not cause significant increases in surface or groundwater contamination by pesticides or other toxic or hazardous substances and that such use will not cause or contribute to soil erosion.

2. Forestry and tree farming using *Best Management Practices Erosion Control on Timber Harvesting Operations in New Hampshire* (April 1996). This permitted use includes the construction of an access road for said purpose.
3. Wildlife habitat enhancement and management.
4. Passive recreational uses consistent with the purpose and intent of this article as defined in Section one above.
5. Conservation areas and nature trails using *Best Management Practices for Erosion Control During Trail Maintenance and Construction* (1994 updated 1996).
6. Driveways for access to residential buildable upland lots, with proper drainage and erosion control measures.
7. Residential uses by Special Exception as provided for in Section 4C below.
8. The construction of footbridges, catwalks and wharves, provided that:
 - a) said structures are constructed on posts or pilings so as to permit unobstructed flow of water;
 - b) the natural contour of the wetland is preserved; and
 - c) the Planning Board has approved the proposed construction of the footbridges, catwalks & wharves.

C - Special Exceptions: The construction of roads, access ways, water impoundment & water supply systems, pipelines, power lines and other transmission lines in wetlands areas shall require a Special Exception from the Board of Adjustment (BOA). The Special Exception shall be granted by the BOA, after considering the Conservation Commission's recommendations, and only upon finding all of the following:

1. The proposed construction is essential to the productive use of non-wetland areas.
2. Design, construction and maintenance methods will minimize any detrimental impact upon the wetlands, and will include restoration of the site as nearly as possible to its original grade and condition.
3. No alternative route is feasible and reasonable.
4. Issuance of permits (if applicable) from the New Hampshire Wetlands Bureau and the Army Corps of Engineers. A copy of these permits shall be submitted to the Town in advance.
5. All Special Exception criteria specified in Article IV Section 9 of this ordinance, and

- The provision of mitigation measures, in Newington, close to the affected wetland system, where appropriate.

Section 5 – Minimum Lot Size Requirements

Areas designated as jurisdictional wetlands may be used to fulfill no more than 50% of the minimum lot size required by the Zoning Ordinance, provided that the upland area is at least 30,000 contiguous square feet.

Section 6 – Wetland Buffer Provisions

The following vegetative buffers shall be observed in order to protect the integrity and functionality of the wetlands resources referenced below (*Reference Buffers for Wetland & Surface Waters: A Guidebook for New Hampshire Municipalities*, revised May 1997).

Resource	Size of Resource	Type of Buffer	Size of Buffer
All Wetlands	Greater than 5,000 square feet	No-Cut and No-Disturbance	25 Feet
Vernal Pools	All sizes	No-Cut and No-Disturbance	25 Feet
Tidal & Prime Wetlands	All sizes	Limited-Cut*	75 Feet

*“Limited-Cut” buffer cited above means a healthy, well-distributed stand of trees, saplings, shrubs and ground cover that must be maintained and which leaves an intact vegetated buffer. Tree-cutting shall be limited to 50% of the basal area of trees, and 50% of the total number of saplings over a 20-year period. Reference - New Hampshire’s Comprehensive Shore land Protection Act (RSA 483-B).

Section 7 – Structural Setbacks

The following setbacks to wetlands shall be observed by all structures in order to protect the integrity and functionality of the wetlands resources referenced below.

Resource	Size of Resource	Relationship to Surface Waters	Minimum Setback
All Wetlands	All Sizes	Contiguous with Surface Waters	100 Feet**
All Wetlands except Prime Wetlands & Vernal Pools	Greater than 5,000 square feet	Not Contiguous with Surface Waters	50 Feet
All Wetlands except Prime Wetlands & Vernal Pools	5,000 square feet or less	-	0 Feet
Vernal Pools	All sizes	-	50 Feet

**Parking lots are exempt from this 100-foot requirement from all wetlands except Prime Wetlands. Parking lots shall observe a 25 foot setback from the (non-Prime) Wetlands that are greater than 5,000 sf.

Section 8 – Exemptions

Undeveloped building lots of 3 acres or less that were created prior to 2003 shall be exempt from the pond & stream buffer and pond & stream setback requirements in this article.

Section 9 – Violations

Any wetland (including prime wetlands and vernal pools) or its buffer altered in violation of this ordinance shall be restored at the expense of the violator(s) as provided by RSA 483-A:5 and under the direction of a New Hampshire certified wetland scientist and said restoration shall be subject to review by the Newington Conservation Commission. When appropriate, injunctive relief shall be sought by the Town as per RSA 676:15 and civil fines imposed as per RSA 676:17.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Newington Building Code, as proposed by the Planning Board, by replacing Sections 2, 7, 8 & 9 of the Building Code with the following:

Section # 2 No building shall be started or altered without the benefit of a permit if the value of said construction or alteration is (\$2500.00 Residential \$1000.00 Commercial) or more and no building shall be put to any use different than the use on the day of the enactment of this ordinance until a permit therefore has been issued under the terms of this ordinance. No permit is required (residential only) for repairs necessitated by normal wear and tear provided that such repair is not a structural repair, restores the structure to its original condition and the repair does not effect more than 50% of the value of the structure. (Electrical, Plumbing and HVAC permit threshold \$100.00)

Section # 7 SEWER CONNECTIONS: All sewer connections contained within the footprint of the structure in the Commercial, Office & Industrial districts; non-metallic pipe may be used unless conditions, design or the Authority having Jurisdiction warrant the use of metallic pipe. Non-metallic or equivalent may be used in all other installations. All connections made outside the structure are subject to the requirements of the Sewer Commission.

Section # 8 PIPING MATERIALS: In the Commercial, Office & Industrial districts, where the general public is allowed, all piping connections, electrical conduit, traps and vents shall be metal unless contained within a fire rated wall, ceiling or floor. (Fixture to wall or floor if in an open space shall be metallic)

Section # 9 SWIMMING POOLS: Any pool designed for swimming shall be completely fenced with a fence at least four feet in height. The gate or access to the fenced area shall be locked at all times that the pool is un-attended.

ARTICLE 4. Shall the Town adopt the provisions of RSA 31:95-c to restrict 100% of revenues from Newington Ambulance and EMS calls to expenditures for the purpose of purchasing ambulance vehicles and providing ambulance supplies and emergency medical services? Such revenues and expenditures shall be accounted for in a Special Revenue Fund to be known as the Newington Emergency Medical Services Fund, separate from the general fund. Any surplus in said fund shall not be deemed part of the general fund accumulated surplus and shall be expended only after a vote by the legislative body to appropriate a specific amount from said fund for a specific purpose related to the purpose of the fund source of revenue.

THIS ARTICLE IS NOT RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN

ARTICLE 5. If the voters of the Town of Newington approve Article 4 shall the Town appropriate up to the sum of \$200,000 from revenues generated from ambulance and emergency medical service calls for purchasing ambulance vehicles and providing, improving, and/or enhancing ambulance and emergency medical services? Adoption of this article will have no effect on the Town's tax rate.

THIS ARTICLE IS NOT RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN
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ARTICLE 6. Shall the Town adopt the provisions of RSA 31:95-c to restrict 100% of revenues from Fire Alarm Maintenance Fees to expenditures for the purpose of maintaining, replacing, upgrading, and/or operating Fire Alarm System? Such revenues and expenditures shall be accounted for in a Special Revenue Fund to be known as the Fire Alarm Fund, separate from the general fund. Any surplus in said fund shall not be deemed part of the general fund accumulated surplus and shall be expended only after a vote by the legislative body to appropriate a specific amount from said fund for a specific purpose related to the purpose of the fund source of revenue.

THIS ARTICLE IS NOT RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN

ARTICLE 7. If the voters of the Town of Newington approve Article 6 shall the Town appropriate up to the sum of \$100,000 from revenues generated from fire alarm fees and /or fines to operate, maintain, and upgrade the Fire Alarm System in Town of Newington? Adoption of this article will have no effect on the town's tax rate.

THIS ARTICLE IS NOT RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN
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ARTICLE 8. Shall the Town raise \$9,176.00 and appropriate \$91,760.00 to fund the Fire Operations and Firefighter Safety program? The Federal Emergency Management Agency will contribute \$82,584.00 as part of the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program for a total program cost of \$91,760.00. The grant targets two areas of Firefighters Assistance: Equipment \$47,660.00 and Construction \$44,100.00. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget (Majority vote required.)

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN
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ARTICLE 9. Shall the Town appropriate \$23,698.00 to fund Firefighter's Personal Protective and Detection Equipment? The Federal Emergency Management Agency will contribute \$1,818.00 from 2003 Homeland I Grant; \$1,880.00 from 2003 Homeland II Grant; \$20,000.00 from 2003 Competitive Award. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN
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ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$ 50,000) to be placed in the existing Conservation Fund established in accordance with RSA 36-A:5 to be used for expenses associated with the purchase of conservation land and open space, easements, wetlands, and other land management acquisitions.

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN
THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town of Newington will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of major Municipal Building Emergency Repairs and to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to be placed in this fund and to appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this fund.

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN
THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to be placed in the existing Capital Reserve Fund for the replacement and/or repair of vehicles operated by the Fire Department.

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN
THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000) to be placed in the existing Capital Reserve Fund for the Revaluation of the Town.

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN
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ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) to be placed in the existing Capital Reserve Fund for the replacement of the Town Ambulance and any major medical equipment.

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN
THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in the existing Capital Reserve Fund for the Fox Point Pavilion.

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN
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ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town of Newington will vote to establish an Expendable Trust Fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, to be known as the Town Employee's Accumulated Leave Fund, for the purpose of payments of Severance to Town Employees in accordance with the Town's Personnel Policy and to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) to be placed in this fund and to appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this fund.

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN
THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in the existing Capital Reserve Fund for Fire Department Communications.

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN
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ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to increase the compensation for the Town Clerk from \$14,000 to \$15,400 annually and to raise One Thousand, Four Hundred Dollars (\$1,400) to fund this purpose for year 2004. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget.

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN
THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

ARTICLE 19. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to have jurisdiction over future compensations for the Town Clerk, without further action by the town meeting? Such Authorization shall remain in effect until rescinded by a vote of the Town. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 20. Shall the Town vote to modify the Veteran's Property Tax Credit under the provisions of RSA 72:27a as follows: the Credit subtracted from the total tax due for qualified taxpayers shall be increased from \$100.00 to \$300.00. (Majority vote required)

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to release the Town's interest in a sewer easement between River Road and the Industrial Corridor Road which was given to the Town in 1979 (RCRD 2347/0220) and which is no longer needed by the Town as a result of the construction of the Industrial Corridor Road. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 22. Shall the Town accept the provisions of RSA 31:95-b providing that any town at an annual meeting may adopt an article authorizing indefinitely, until specific rescission of such authority, the selectmen to apply for, accept and expend, without further action by the town meeting, unanticipated money from a state, federal or other governmental unit or a private source which becomes available during the fiscal year? (Majority vote required.)

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept gifts of personal property, other than cash, to the municipality for any public purposes. This authorization, in accordance with RSA 31:95e, shall remain in effect until rescinded by a vote of the Town meeting. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 24. To see what sum the municipality will vote to raise and appropriate for the operating budget. The budget committee recommends \$3,790,024; the selectmen recommends \$3,792,625. This article does not include appropriations voted in other warrant articles.

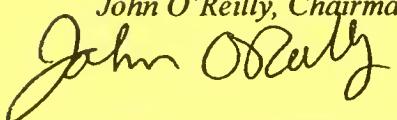
ARTICLE 25. To hear the report of the Moderator on the election of officers.

Given under our hands and seal this 17th day of February 2004.

We certify and attest that on the 17th day of February 2004, we posted a true and attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of Meeting, and like copies at the South Newington Bulletin Board and the Meeting House, and delivered the original to the Town Clerk.

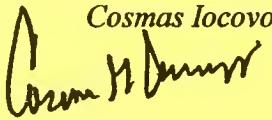
Town of Newington Board of Selectmen

John O'Reilly, Chairman

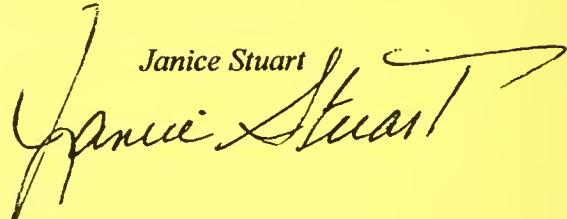


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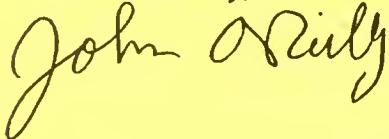
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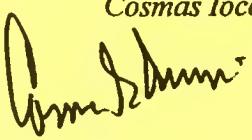
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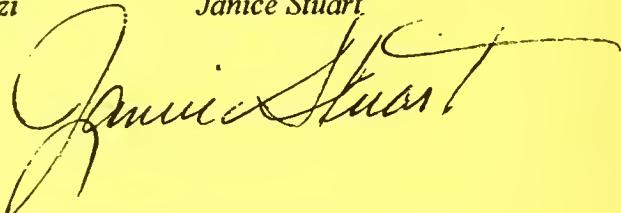
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Cosmas Iocovozzi



Janice Stuart



BUDGET OF THE TOWN/CITY

OF: TOWN OF NEWINGTON

BUDGET FORM FOR TOWNS WHICH HAVE ADOPTED
THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 32:24

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 2004 to December 31, 2004

or Fiscal Year From _____ to _____

IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the entire budget in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below.

This is to certify that this budget was posted with the warrant on the (date) February 17, 2004.**BUDGET COMMITTEE**

Please sign in ink.

Richard M. Dickey
Leslie D. Brock
Laird L. Pace

Richard M. Dickey
Leslie D. Brock
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THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

FOR DRA USE ONLY

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION
MUNICIPAL FINANCE BUREAU
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
(603)271-3397

ACCT.#	(RSA 323.V)	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS			Warr.	Prior Year As Art.#	Appropriations Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS			BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS		
		4	5	6					7	8	9	Ensuing Fiscal Year (RECOMMENDED)	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED
GENERAL GOVERNMENT													xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx
4130-4139	Executive					166,580		170,497		177,627			179,327	
4140-4149	Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics					4,400		4,732		8,100			8,100	
4150-4151	Financial Administration					22,554		27,192		31,954			31,954	
4162	Revaluation of Property					68,000		101,442		50,000			50,000	
4163	Legal Expense					130,000		82,626		150,000			150,000	
4165-4159	Personnel Administration												xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning					130,333		115,512		113,774			110,774	
4194	General Government Buildings					222,874		195,758		252,823			252,823	
4195	Cemeteries					12,550		12,442		12,550			12,550	
4196	Insurance					65,000		73,814		81,043			81,043	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.					10,997		10,997		12,676			12,676	
4199	Other General Government												xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx
PUBLIC SAFETY													xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx
4210-4214	Police					957,353		897,874		950,378			950,378	
4215-4219	Ambulance												xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx
4220-4249	Fire					676,871		868,321		771,078			766,777	
4240-4249	Building Inspection					47,236		45,398		53,474			58,474	
4290-4298	Emergency Management					9,644		7,495		7,434			7,434	
4299	Other (including Communications)												xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx
AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER													xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx
4301-4309	Airport Operations												xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx
HIGHWAYS & STREETS													xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx
4311	Administration												xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx
4312	Highways & Streets					152,672		137,883		184,131			182,131	
4313	Bridges												2,000	

										BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS
										Ensuing Fiscal Year
										(RECOMMENDED) NOT RECOMMENDED
ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr.	Prior Year As Art.#	Appropriations Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year	(RECOMMENDED)	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
	HIGHWAYS & STREETS cont.			XXXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX
4316	Street Lighting			18,000	14,995	18,000			18,000	
4319	Other									
	SANITATION			XXXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX
4321	Administration									
4323	Solid Waste Collection				77,600	58,666	49,200			49,200
4324	Solid Waste Disposal				43,860	40,181	46,500			46,500
4326	Solid Waste Clean-up									
4328-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other			581,753	538,281	549,488				549,488
	WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT			XXXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX
4331	Administration									
4332	Water Services									
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv.& Other				XXXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX
	ELECTRIC									
4351-4362	Admin. and Generation									
4353	Purchase Costs									
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance									
4359	Other Electric Costs									
	HEALTH/WELFARE			XXXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX
4411	Administration									
4414	Pest Control				32,281	32,281	33,573			33,573
4416-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other									
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.			2,000	1,277	2,000				2,000
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts									
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other									

698,761

ACCT #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3 V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS	
					(RECOMMENDED)	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
	CULTURE & RECREATION		XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation		76,493	68,574	85,705		85,705	
4550-4559	Library		31,400	30,976	47,920		47,920	
4583	Patriotic Purposes							
4589	Other Culture & Recreation		6,100	5,988	6,050		6,050	
	CONSERVATION		XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX
4611-4612	Admin. & Purch. of Nat. Resources		7,982	5,516	11,442		11,442	
4619	Other Conservation							
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING							
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT							
	DEBT SERVICE		XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes		28,500	26,705	26,705		26,705	
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes							
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes							
4790-4799	Other Debt Service				6,000		6,000	
	CAPITAL OUTLAY		XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX
4901	Land							
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment		85,000	87,975	53,000		53,000	
4903	Buildings		600					
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.							
	OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT		XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX
4912	To Special Revenue Fund							
4913	To Capital Projects Fund							
4914	To Enterprise Fund							
	Sewer-							
	Water-							

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If you have a line item of annotations from more than one warrant article please see the section below to identify the make-up of the line total for the ensuing year.

"individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". An example of an individual warrant article might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements, leases or items of a one time nature you wish to address individually.

1	2	3	4	5	6
ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr.	Estimated Revenues	Actual Revenues	Estimated Revenues
		Art.#	Prior Year	Prior Year	Ensuing Year
TAXES					
3120	Land Use Change Taxes		10,000		
3180	Resident Taxes		5,000	4,640	5,000
3185	Timber Taxes				
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		41,560	41,550	43,000
3189	Other Taxes				
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		5,520	8,099	8,000
	Inventory Penalties				
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)				
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES					
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		3,100	2,999	3,000
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		185,000	208,349	200,000
3230	Building Permits		50,000	70,432	80,000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		15,000	14,612	15,000
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT		3,005	3,005	
FROM STATE					
3351	Shared Revenues		28,355	78,107	65,000
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		23,524	23,524	23,524
3353	Highway Block Grant		20,588	20,588	20,000
3354	Water Pollution Grant				
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement				
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		6,497	7,687	7,000
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS				
CHARGES FOR SERVICES					
3401-3406	Income from Departments		218,170	175,879	200,000
3409	Other Charges				
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES					
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		175	2,186	2,000
3502	Interest on Investments		30,000	24,784	28,000
3503-3509	Other		10,950	11,280	12,000
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN					
3912	From Special Revenue Funds				
3913	From Capital Projects Funds				

1	2	3	4	5	6
ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr.	Estimated Revenues	Actual Revenues	Estimated Revenues
		Art#	Prior Year	Prior Year	Ensuing Year
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN cont.					
3914	From Enterprise Funds		561,753.00	538,281.00	549,488.00
	Sewer - (Offset)				
	Water - (Offset)				
	Electric - (Offset)				
	Airport - (Offset)				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds				
3916	From Trust & Agency Funds				
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES					
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes		500,000.00		
	Amounts VOTED From F/B ("Surplus")				
	Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes		990,637.00		100,000.00
	TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS		2,708,834.00	1,236,002.15	1,359,012.00

****BUDGET SUMMARY****

	PRIOR YEAR ADOPTED BUDGET	SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET
SUBTOTAL 1 Appropriations Recommended (from pg. 5)	3,647,533.00	3,792,625.00	3,790,024.00
SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6)	657,000.00	270,000.00	270,000.00
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6)		116,858.00	116,858.00
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	4,304,533.00	4,179,483.00	4,178,882.00
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	2,708,834.00	1,359,012.00	1,359,012.00
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	1,595,699.00	2,820,471.00	2,817,870.00

Maximum Allowable Increase to Budget Committee's Recommended Budget per RSA 32:18:

281,787.00

(See Supplemental Schedule With 10% Calculation)

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
Town of Newington
Annual Town Meeting

March 11 and 15, 2003

Moderator Ruth K. Fletcher called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. on March 11, 2003.

Moderator Fletcher read the Newington School District Warrant for the election of a School Moderator for a three year term, a School District Clerk for a three year term, a School District Treasurer for a three year term and a Member of the School Board for a three year term. The Moderator then read the Town Warrant at which time a typographical error was noted. The correction is as follows: You are hereby notified to meet at the Newington Town Hall on Tuesday, March 11, 2003 to act on Article 1 & 2. The Polls will open at 11:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m.

The Business portion of the Meeting to act on Articles 3 through 11 will resume on Saturday, March 15, 2003 at 1:30 p.m.

Article 1. To Choose in the manner provided by law: one (1) Selectman for 3 years; one (1) Town Clerk/ Tax Collector for 3 years; one (1) Treasurer for 1 year; one (1) Trustee of the Trust Funds for 3 years; one (1) Trustee of the Trust Funds for 2 years; one (1) Trustee of the Trust Funds for 1 year; one (1) Board of Fire Engineers Member for 3 years; one (1) Board of Fire Engineers Member for 1 year; one (1) Police Commissioner for 3 years; one (1) Police Commissioner for 1 year; one (1) Library Trustee for 3 years; one (1) Cemetery Committee Member for 3 years; one (1) Sewer Commissioner for 3 years; three (3) Budget Committee members for 3 years; two (2) Planning Board Members for 3 years.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Newington Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by the Planning Board, by adding the following article and re-numbering the subsequent article accordingly:

ARTICLE XV- Trailers and Mobile Storage Containers

The following conditions must be met for trailers or mobile storage containers in Office and Commercial Zones:

SECTION 1- Permit required: The property owner shall obtain a permit for all trailers or mobile storage containers on-site longer than ten business days unless connected to a loading dock. The permit must be posted in plain view on the trailer/ container.

SECTION 2- Application: Property owners shall apply to the Building Inspector for a permit. Owners must attach the appropriate fee and a sketch or plan showing the proposed trailer location with respect to setbacks, easements, roads and parking areas. The Building Inspector will coordinate a review by the Fire Chief.

SECTION 3- Duration: The use of storage trailers/ containers will be permitted on a temporary basis limited to no more than 90 days. Trailers/ storage containers will be removed once the permit expires.

EXEMPTIONS: (Subject to Planning Board Approval)

- A. The use of trailers for storage or temporary office space may be permitted for the duration of the construction, expansion, or repair of a permanent business.
- B. The use of trailers/ containers to store recycled materials (i.e. tires, pallets, etc.) may be permitted on renewable basis.

SECTION 4- Number & Location: No more than two (2) trailers/ containers may be placed on a lot unless approved by the Planning Board. No trailer/ container shall be situated in such a way as to obstruct safe sight distance, fire lanes, or setbacks.

SECTION 5- Limitation on Occupancy: Occupancy of trailers for temporary office space is limited to businesses undergoing initial construction, expansion or repair of a permanent place of business. The Building Inspector shall approve all temporary utility connections to occupied trailers.

SECTION 6- Storage of Material: Storage trailers/ containers shall be locked at all times when an attendant is not present. The outside storage of materials beneath, above, or around a trailer/ container is prohibited.

The ballot boxes were shown to be empty, then they were locked and the Moderator declared the polls open for voting.

The Absentee Ballots were opened at 3:30 p.m., the names were read for the ballot clerks, and the Moderator deposited the Absentee Ballots into the ballot boxes.

At 7:00 p.m. after determining that there was no one present who wished to vote, Moderator Fletcher declared the Polls closed, and the Town Meeting was adjourned until Saturday, March 15, 2003.

On Saturday, March 15, 2003 at 1:34 p.m.. Moderator Ruth Fletcher opened the Town Meeting in the Newington Town Hall. She read the Moderator rules for a

Town Meeting. Moved by Granville Knox, seconded by Peggy Lamson. There being no discussion, voted- motion carries.

Moderator Fletcher read the articles that we were voting today. She explained the mistake in the Town Warrant regarding Articles 1 & 2 was voted on March 11, 2003 and we were discussing and voting on Articles 3 through 17 today.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000) for the acquisition of a Conservation Land Easement on a parcel in Newington, NH: known as The Frink Home Lot and Fields, 43:33 acres Map 17 Lot 6: by the Town, all for the permanent protection of appropriate undeveloped land in the Town of Newington, and to authorize the Selectmen to act on behalf of the Town in connection with such acquisition of conservation easement and to further authorize the issuance of not more than Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000) of bonds and/or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (NH RSA Chapter 33), and to authorize the Selectmen to issue, negotiate, and regulate such bonds and/or notes and to determine the rates of interest thereon, and to authorize the Selectmen to accept any funds from the State of New Hampshire, the Federal Government and private sources, as they may become available, and pass any vote relating thereto. (2/3 vote required) Moved by Peggy Lamson, Seconded by George Fletcher. There was discussion relative to what portion of the property would be involved with this easement and also the way the article was written. After showing the ballot box to be empty the Moderator declared the polls were open at 2:15 p.m. and they would remain open for one (1) hour.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to be placed in the existing Conservation Fund established in accordance with RSA 36 A:5 to be used for expenses associated with the purchase of conservation land and open space, easements, wetlands and other land management acquisitions. Moved by Peggy Lamson, Seconded by Barbara McDonald. There was no discussion. Voted- motion carries.

Article 5- To see if the Town of Newington will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of the future demolition of the Mott House and the construction of a Three Season Recreational pavilion at the site located on Fox Point currently known as the Mott House and to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand (\$25,000) to be placed in this fund. Moved by Peggy Lamson, Seconded by John Klanehesser. An amendment was submitted by Laura Coleman to change the article to read: To see if the Town of Newington will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of constructing a facility at Fox Point that provides a kitchenette and restrooms for social and recreational functions and to

raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand (\$25,000) to be placed in this fund. There was discussion and then voted on the amendment. Amendment carries.

The Moderator read the amended Article 5. To see if the Town of Newington will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of constructing a facility at Fox Point that provides a kitchenette and restrooms for social and recreational functions and to raise and appropriate the sum Twenty Five Thousand (\$25,000) to be placed in this fund. Motion carries as amended.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand (\$25,000) to be placed in the existing Capital Reserve Fund for the Revaluation of the Town. Moved by Barbara Hill. Seconded by John Klanchesser. There was some discussion. Voted. Motion carries unanimous.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) to be placed in the exiting Capital Reserve Fund for the replacement and/or repair of vehicles operated by the Fire Department. Moved by John Klanchesser. Seconded by Paula Caceda. No discussion. Voted. Motion carries unanimous.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000) to be placed in the existing Capital Reserve Fund for the replacement of the Town Ambulance and any major medical equipment. Moved by Sandra Sweeney, Seconded by Bill White. No discussion. Voted. Motion carries unanimous.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in the existing Capital Reserve Fund for Fire Department Communications. Moved by John Klanchesser. Seconded by Meredith Hoyt. No discussion. Voted. Motion carries unanimous.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) to be used for structural improvements to the Old Stone School so that it can be reopened for use by the townspeople. Submitted by petition. Moved by Paula Caceda. Seconded by Bill White. Discussion started on this article. At 3:15 p.m. Moderator Fletcher asked if there was anyone else who wished to vote on Article 3. There being no one, Moderator Fletcher announced that the polls were closed. The votes were tallied and Moderator Fletcher announced the results at 3:20 p.m. Yes 95 No 23. Discussion resumed on Article 10. There was more discussion on Article 10. Timothy

Connors moved the question. Moderator Fletcher called for a hand count. Motion defeated.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) to be used for structural improvements to the first floor of the Mott House at Fox Point so that it can be opened for use by the townspeople as a three season facility. Submitted by petition. Moved by Laura Coleman. Seconded by John Frink. There were two amendments suggested but were refused by Moderator Fletcher because they changed the intent of the article. There was no further discussion. Voted. Motion failed.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand (\$10,000) to be used for structural improvements to the docks and platforms at Fox Point in order to reopen them for use by the Townspeople and to make them ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) Compliant. Submitted by petition. Moved by Lulu Pickering. Seconded by John Frink. There was much discussion. Moderator Fletcher called for a hand count. Motion defeated.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) for an engineering study to review the Old Stone School and the Old Town Hall and prepare a strategy for bringing these buildings up to code so they can be used by the Townspeople, young and old. Submitted by petition. Moved by Peggy Lamson. Seconded by Jeanne Haskins. There was discussion. Voted. Motion carries.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be used for structural improvements to the Old Town Hall so that the whole building can be used by the Townspeople. Submitted. Moved by Peggy Lamson. Seconded by John Klanchesser. There was discussion. Voted. Motion carries.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to change the present Town Employee Policy of 100% paid medical and dental insurance costs for Town Employees to 90% paid by the town and 10% paid by the employee, effective April 1, 2003. Submitted by petition. Moved by Jeanne Haskins. Seconded by Jean Bowser. There was much discussion. Alfred Smith submitted an amendment to this article to change the effective date to April 1, 2004. Voted the amendment. Amendment carries. Moderator Fletcher called for a paper ballot vote (request submitted by registered voters.) Ballots were cast for the amended Article. Moderator Fletcher announced the results. Yes 31 No 48.

Article 16. On petition of New Hampshire for Health Care and at least 2% of registered voters of the Town of Newington to see if the Town will vote to call the

elected officials from all levels of government and those seeking office to work with consumers, businesses and health care providers to ensure that: Everyone, including self-employed and underinsured, and small business owners has access to an affordable basic health plan similar to what federal employees receive. Everyone, including employers, consumers, and the State, Local and Federal government makes a responsible and fair contribution to finance the health care system. Everyone receives high quality care that is cost efficient and medically effective and that these efforts help control the skyrocketing cost of health care. Moved by Jim Noseworthy, Seconded by Paula Caceda. There was little discussion. Voted. Motion failed.

Article 17. To hear the report of the Budget Committee and to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,617,533.00 which represents the operating budget expenditures for the Town for the Fiscal Year 2003. Said sum does not include special or individual articles addressed. Moved by Denis Hebert, Seconded by Barbara Hill. There was discussion on the article. John Frink submitted and amendment to add \$30,000 on to line item 4902- Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment for replacing Town truck. There was some discussion on amendment. Voted on amendment. Motion carries.

Voted on Article 17. To hear the report of the Budget Committee and to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,647,533.00 which represents the operating budget expenditures for the Town for the Fiscal Year 2003. Said sum does not include special or individual articles addressed. Moved by David Low, Seconded by George Fletcher. Voted. Amended Article passed.

Article 18. To hear the report of the Moderator on the election of officers. Moved by Marie Rines. Seconded by Bill White. (See attached).

Moderator Fletcher asked if there was any further business and Selectman Jack O'Reilly read the report from the Road Agent regarding the Snow Removal Budget.

There being no further business Moderator Fletcher made a motion to adjourn. Moved by Granville Knox. Seconded by Marie Rines.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

A true record, attest: W. Jane Mazeau, Town Clerk/ Tax Collector

Election Results

Board of Selectmen 3 yrs.

Cosmas Iocovozzi 165

Town Clerk/ Tax Collector 3 yrs.

W. J. Mazeau 224

Treasurer 1 yr.

George Fletcher

Trustee of the Trust Fund 3 yrs.

Randall Dunham 139

Lulu Pickering 84

Trustee of the Trust Fund 2 yrs.

Paul Beswick 23

Trustee of the Trust Fund 1 yr.

Paul Beswick 23

Board of Fire Engineers 3 yrs.

Stephen Sabine 35

William White 32

Board of Fire Engineers 1 yr.

Stephen Sabine 36

William White 18

Police Commission 3 yrs.

Vincent Frank 172

Police Commission 1 yr.

Jackson Hoyt 219

Library Trustee 3 yrs.

Meredith Hoyt 126

Gail Pare 83

Cemetery Committee 3 yrs.

Lulu Pickering 160

Sewer Commission 3 yrs.

George Fletcher 194

Budget Committee 3 yrs.

Jack Anderson	150
Leslie Brock	114
Candice Cantalupo	130
Richard Spinney	201

Planning Board 3 yrs.

Denis Hebert	174
Barbara Hill	166

Warrant Article 2- Zoning Ordinance

Are you in favor of the adoption of a proposal by the Planning Board that would regulate trailers and mobile home storage containers?

YES 179 NO 56



Hannah Newton, 1800's

Vachon, Clukay & Co., PC
Certified Public Accountants

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Manchester, New Hampshire 03101
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Newington, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Town of Newington, New Hampshire, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2002, as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of Newington, New Hampshire's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general purpose financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As more fully described in Note 1, the general purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the financial statements of the General Fixed Asset Account Group, which should be included in order to conform with generally accepted accounting principles. The amount that should be recorded in the General Fixed Asset Account Group is not known.

As described in Note 1, the Town has recognized tax revenues of \$50,208 in its General Fund which were not received in cash within sixty days of year end as required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GASB Interpretation 3). Town officials believe, and we concur, that the application of this accounting principle, which would result in a decrease of the undesignated General Fund balance from \$1,409,435 to \$1,359,227, would give a misleading impression of the Town's ability to meet its current and future obligations.

In our opinion, except for the effect on the general purpose financial statements of the omission described in the third paragraph, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Newington, New Hampshire, as of December 31, 2002 and the results of its operations and cash flows of its

non-expendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The combining financial statement and schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Newington, New Hampshire. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

Vackson, Clapp & Co., PC

July 2, 2003

Schedule I

TOWN OF NEWINGTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Combining Balance Sheet - All Special Revenue Funds

December 31, 2002

	<u>Conservation Commission</u>	<u>Library</u>	<u>Combining Total</u>
ASSETS			
Cash	\$ 3,081	\$ 3,081	
Investments	\$ 114,753	13,316	128,069
Due from other funds		<u>127,903</u>	<u>127,903</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 114,753</u>	<u>\$ 144,300</u>	<u>\$ 259,053</u>
FUND BALANCES			
Fund Balances:			
Unreserved:			
Undesignated	\$ 114,753	\$ 144,300	\$ 259,053
Total Fund Balances	<u>114,753</u>	<u>144,300</u>	<u>259,053</u>
Total Fund Balances	<u>\$ 114,753</u>	<u>\$ 144,300</u>	<u>\$ 259,053</u>

Schedule 2

TOWN OF NEWINGTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
 All Special Revenue Funds
 For the Year Ended December 31, 2002

	<u>Conservation</u>	<u>Library</u>	<u>Combining</u>
	<u>Commission</u>	<u>Total</u>	
Revenues:			
Miscellaneous revenues	\$ 1,163	\$ 8,300	\$ 9,463
Total Revenues	<u>1,163</u>	<u>8,300</u>	<u>9,463</u>
Expenditures			
Current:			
Culture and recreation	33.820	33.820	
Capital Outlay	<u>1,338</u>	<u>1,338</u>	
Total Expenditures	<u>-</u>	<u>35,158</u>	<u>35,158</u>
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	1,163	(26,858)	(25,695)
Other Financing Sources:			
Operating transfers in	50,000	30,050	80,050
Total Other Financing Sources	<u>50,000</u>	<u>30,050</u>	<u>80,050</u>
Excess of Revenues and Other Sources Over Expenditures	51,163	3,192	54,355
Fund Balances - January 1	63,590	141,108	204,698
Fund Balances - December 31	<u>\$ 114,753</u>	<u>\$ 144,300</u>	<u>\$ 259,053</u>

Schedule 3

TOWN OF NEWINGTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Combining Balance Sheet - All Trust and Agency Funds

December 31, 2002

	Trust Funds		Agency Funds		Combining Total
	Non- Expendable <u>Trust Funds</u>	Capital Reserve	School Funds	Performance Deposits	
ASSETS					
Cash	\$ 28,844			\$ 41,503	\$ 70,347
Investments	<u>593,276</u>	\$ 347,640	\$ 60,561	136,171	<u>1,137,648</u>
Total Assets	<u><u>\$ 622,120</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 347,640</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 60,561</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 177,674</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,207,995</u></u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE					
Liabilities:					
Due to other funds	\$ 127,903				\$ 127,903
Due to developers				\$ 177,674	177,674
Due to other governments			\$ 60,561		60,561
Total Liabilities	<u>127,903</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>60,561</u>	<u>177,674</u>	<u>366,138</u>
Fund Balances:					
Reserved for endowments	450,568				450,568
Unreserved:					
Designated for future years' expenditures		\$ 347,640			347,640
Undesignated	<u>43,649</u>	<u>347,640</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>43,649</u>
Total Fund Balances	<u><u>494,217</u></u>	<u><u>347,640</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>841,857</u></u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	<u><u>\$ 622,120</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 347,640</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 60,561</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 177,674</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,207,995</u></u>

Schedule 4
TOWN OF NEWINGTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 Schedule of Revenues
 Budget and Actual - (Budgetary Basis) - General Fund
 For the Year Ended December 31, 2002

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance Favorable <u>(Unfavorable)</u>
REVENUES:			
Taxes:			
Property taxes	\$2,335,698	\$2,507,794	\$ 172,096
Resident taxes	4,750	5,760	1,010
Payment in lieu of taxes	37,038	37,028	(10)
Interest and penalties on taxes	5,000	3,780	(1,220)
Total Taxes	<u>2,382,486</u>	<u>2,554,362</u>	<u>171,876</u>
Licenses and Permits:			
Business licenses and permits	2,000	1,775	(225)
Motor vehicle permit fees	185,000	181,705	(3,295)
Building permits	30,000	16,478	(13,522)
Other licenses, permits and fees	5,000	24,542	19,542
Total Licenses and Permits	<u>222,000</u>	<u>224,500</u>	<u>2,500</u>
Intergovernmental Revenues:			
State shared revenues	62,826	62,826	-
Meals and rooms distribution	22,490	22,490	-
Highway block grant	19,616	19,616	-
Emergency management grant	830	830	-
Other State revenue	10,000	7,320	(2,680)
Total Intergovernmental Revenues	<u>115,762</u>	<u>113,082</u>	<u>(2,680)</u>
Charges for Service:			
Income from departments	210,000	225,594	15,594
Total Charges for Service	<u>210,000</u>	<u>225,594</u>	<u>15,594</u>
Miscellaneous Revenues:			
Interest on deposits	4,000	36,051	32,051
Sale of Town property	1,000	3,134	2,134
Rent of Town property	-	8,700	8,700
Insurance dividends and reimbursements	20,000	13,013	(6,987)
Other miscellaneous revenue	-	680	680
Total Miscellaneous Revenues	<u>25,000</u>	<u>61,578</u>	<u>36,578</u>
Total Revenues	<u>\$2,955,248</u>	<u>\$3,179,116</u>	<u>\$ 223,868</u>

Schedule 5

TOWN OF NEWINGTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Schedule of Expenditures and Other Financing Uses

Budget and Actual - (Budgetary Basis) - General Fund

For the Year Ended December 31, 2002

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
EXPENDITURES:			
Current:			
General Government:			
Executive	\$ 205,037	\$ 175,787	\$ 29,250
Elections and registration	6,500	7,526	(1,026)
Financial administration	86,500	65,435	21,065
Legal	157,000	68,096	88,904
Cemeteries	10,550	14,141	(3,591)
Planning and zoning	84,947	72,357	12,590
General government buildings	195,233	202,469	(7,236)
Insurance	65,000	54,474	10,526
Advertising and regional association	14,040	14,040	-
Total General Government	<u>824,807</u>	<u>674,325</u>	<u>150,482</u>
Public Safety:			
Police department	921,580	900,344	21,236
Fire department	591,854	584,373	7,481
Building inspection	37,500	37,261	239
Emergency management	17,500	7,065	10,435
Total Public Safety	<u>1,568,434</u>	<u>1,529,043</u>	<u>39,391</u>
Highways and Streets:			
Highways	178,272	144,588	33,684
Street lighting	20,000	17,351	2,649
Total Highways and Streets	<u>198,272</u>	<u>161,939</u>	<u>36,333</u>
Sanitation:			
Solid waste collection	62,450	67,129	(4,679)
Solid waste disposal	42,060	40,101	1,959
Total Sanitation	<u>104,510</u>	<u>107,230</u>	<u>(2,720)</u>
Health and Welfare:			
Health agencies and hospitals	32,645	32,645	-
Direct assistance	2,000	127	1,873
Total Health and Welfare	<u>34,645</u>	<u>32,772</u>	<u>1,873</u>

Schedule 5

TOWN OF NEWINGTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

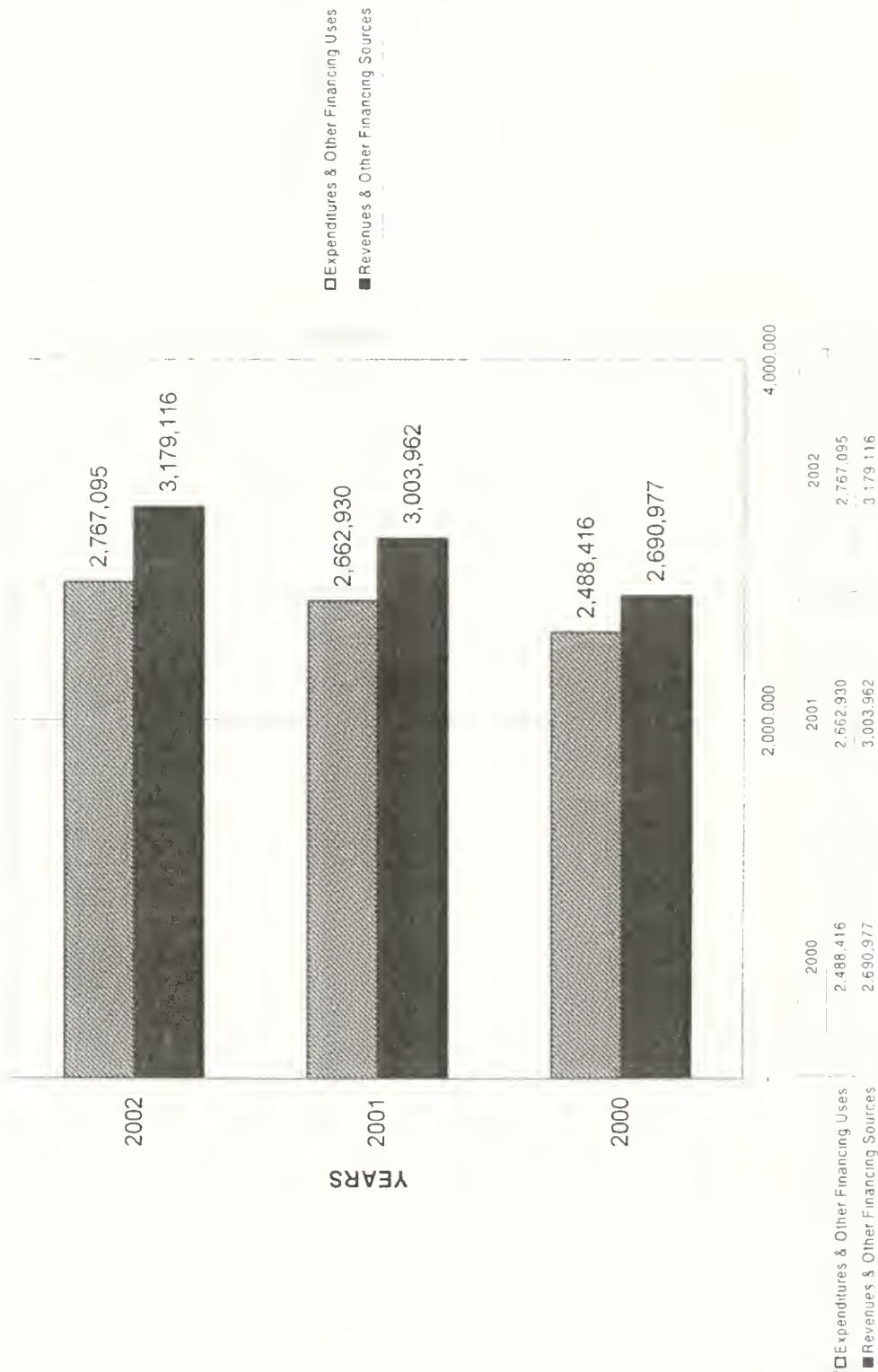
Schedule of Expenditures and Other Financing Uses

Budget and Actual - (Budgetary Basis) - General Fund (Continued)

For the Year Ended December 31, 2002

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
EXPENDITURES:			
Current:			
Culture and Recreation:			
Parks and recreation	87,305	77,923	9,382
Conservation commission	9,002	6,530	2,472
Historic District commission	12,100	7,250	4,850
Total Culture and Recreation	<u>108,407</u>	<u>91,703</u>	<u>16,704</u>
Capital Outlay:			
Police cruisers	54,800	54,800	-
	<u>54,800</u>	<u>54,800</u>	<u>-</u>
Debt Service:			
Principal on long-term debt	66,544	56,543	10,001
Interest on long-term debt	940	12,042	(11,102)
Interest on short-term debt	2,000	-	2,000
Total Debt Service	<u>69,484</u>	<u>68,585</u>	<u>899</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>2,963,359</u>	<u>2,720,397</u>	<u>242,962</u>
OTHER FINANCING USES:			
Operating Transfers Out:			
Expendable Trust Funds	57,000	57,000	-
Special Revenue Funds:			
Conservation Fund	50,000	50,000	-
Library Fund	29,889	30,050	(161)
Total Other Financing Uses	<u>136,889</u>	<u>137,050</u>	<u>(161)</u>
Total Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	<u>\$3,100,248</u>	<u>\$2,857,447</u>	<u>\$ 242,801</u>

Total Revenue and Expenditures 2000-2002



DEPARTMENT EXPENDITURES
Year Ending December 31, 2003
(Pre-Audit)

EXECUTIVE OFFICE	170,497.19
ELECTION, REGISTRATION & VITALS	4,732.42
TAX COLLECTOR/TOWN CLERK	20,691.62
AUDITING & ASSESSING	107,942.02
LEGAL	82,626.07
PLANNING BOARD	115,512.13
TOWN BUILDINGS	210,120.33
CEMETERY	12,442.00
INSURANCE	73,814.34
POLICE DEPARTMENT	909,387.84
FIRE DEPARTMENT	668,320.62
REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS	10,997.00
CODE ENFORCEMENT	45,397.53
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	7,494.79
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT	137,882.53
STREET LIGHTING	14,994.76
TRANSFER STATION - COLLECTION	58,665.81
TRANSFER STATION - DISPOSAL	40,180.58
MOSQUITO CONTROL	32,281.00
WELFARE	1,277.22
RECREATION COMMITTEE	33,750.33
LAND MANAGEMENT	34,823.94
LIBRARY	30,976.15
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION	5,988.00
CONSERVATION COMMISSION	5,516.15
DEBT SERVICE	26,704.73
CAPITAL OUTLAY	87,975.00
2003 TOTAL EXPENDITURES	2,950,992.10

Summary Inventory of Valuation 2003

Land:

Under Current Use	112,331.00
Residential	74,429,520.00
Commercial/ Industrial	88,951,900.00
Total Land	163,493,751.00

Buildings:

Residential	55,224,700.00
Commercial/ Industrial	214,442,900.00
Total Buildings	269,669,690.00

Utilities:

Gas	15,137,200.00
Electric	364,709,500.00
Total Utilities	379,846,700.00

Nontaxable:

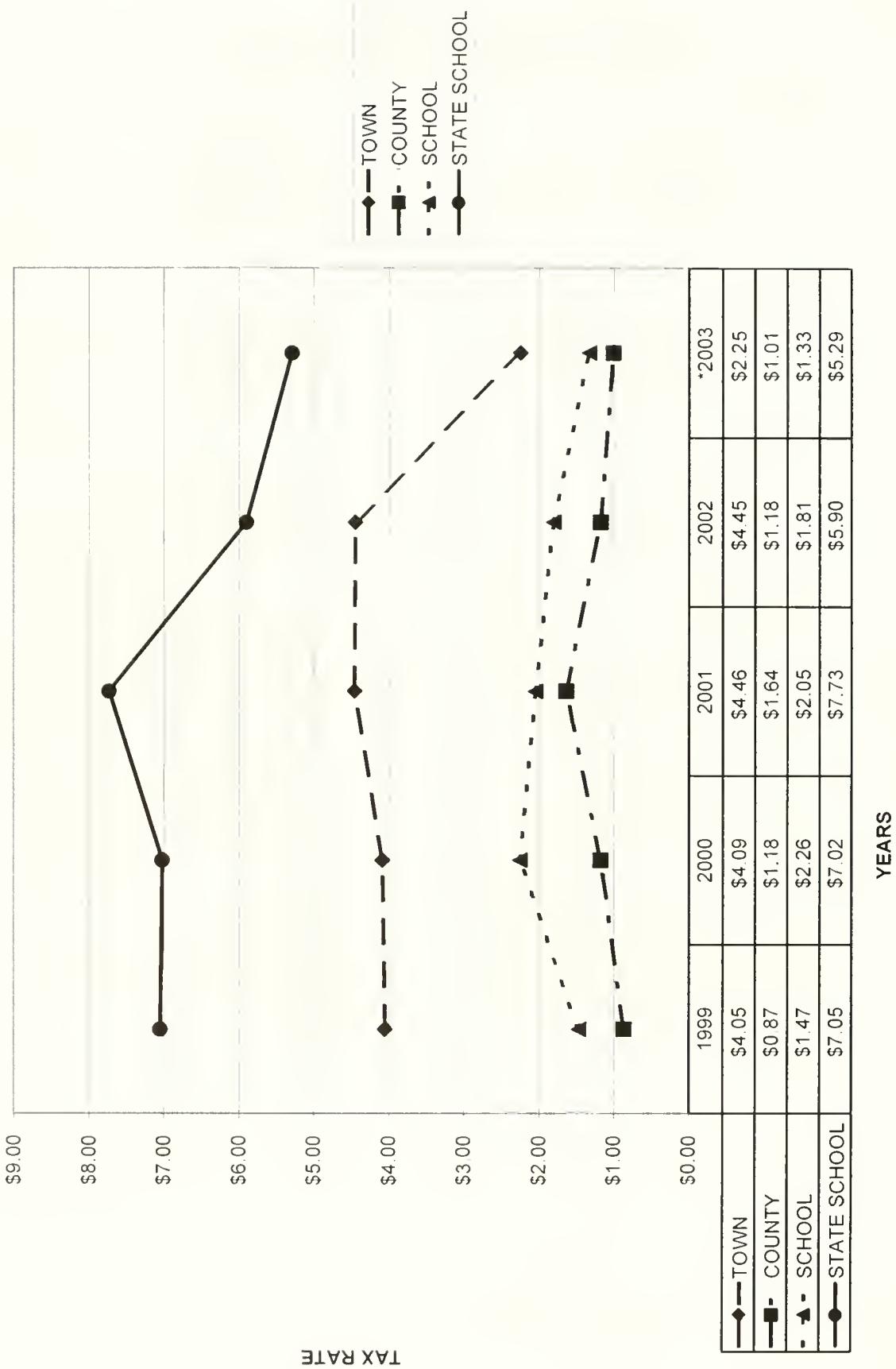
Land	17,973,500.00
Buildings	11,004,341.00
Total Nontaxable	28,977,841.00

Elderly Exemptions	21	2,610,000.00
Veteran Credits	47	4,700.00
Disabled Exemption	1	300,500.00
Water & Air Pollution	12	2,904,704.00

Total Value before Exemptions	841,985,982.00
Exemptions off Values	5,815,204.00
Nontaxable Exemptions	28,977,841.00
Total Taxable Valuation	813,008,141.00

Net Value	807,192,937.00
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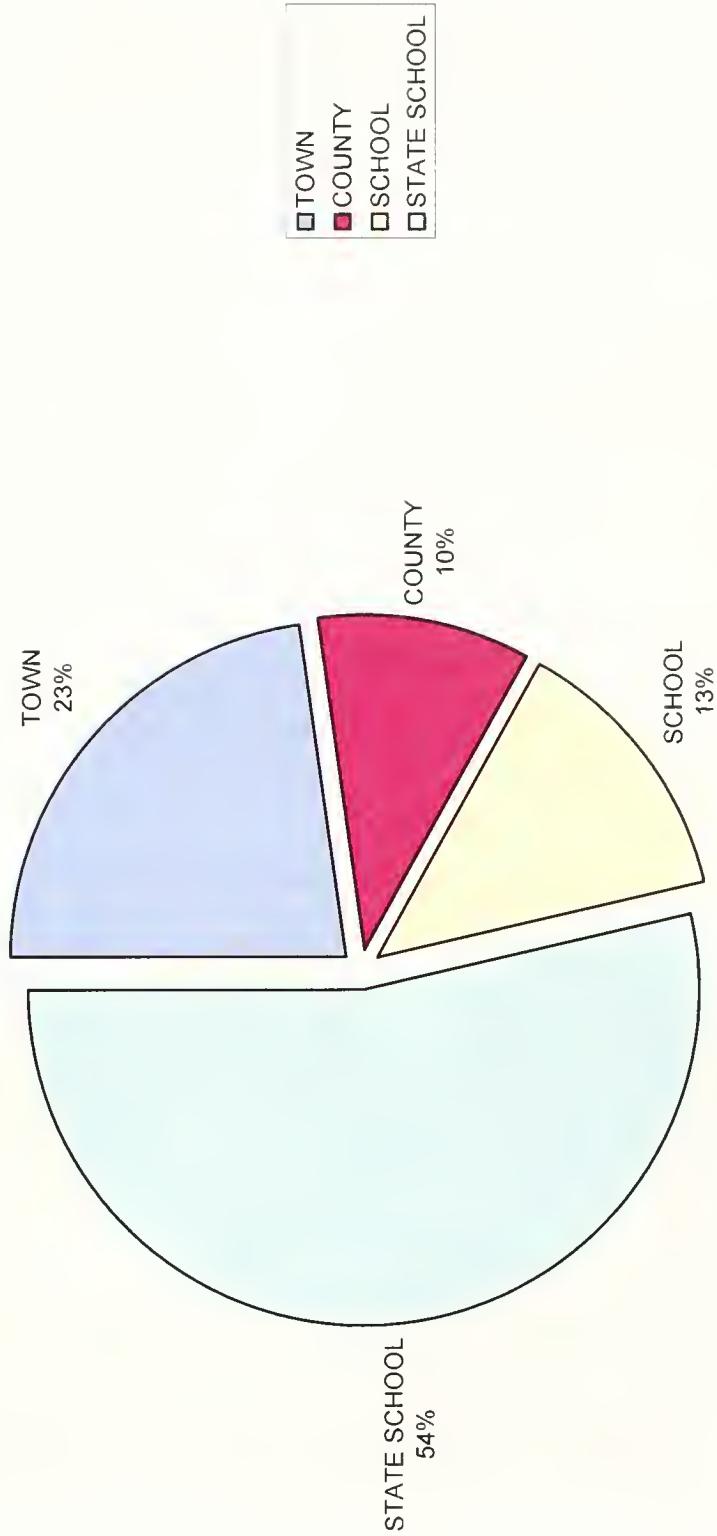
1999-2003 TAX RATE ANALYSIS



*2003 Tax Rate Reflects Town Revaluation

2003 TAX RATE

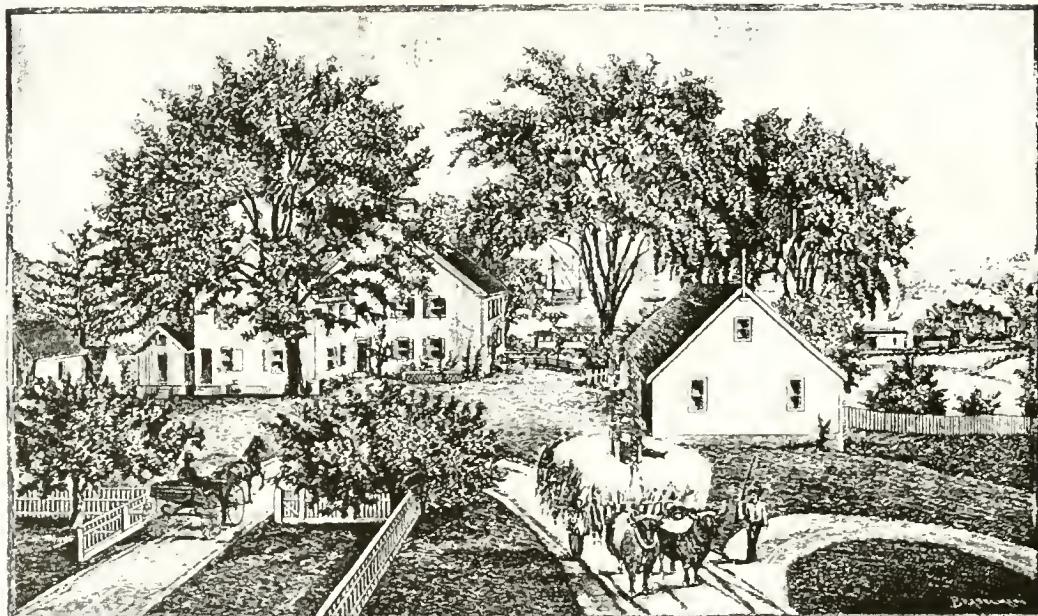
\$9.88



Town Clerk/ Tax Collector's Report

Motor Vehicle Registrations	\$208,568.00
Dog Licenses	\$969.50
UCC Fees	\$982.74
Boat Registrations	\$13,247.02
Wetland Application Filing Fees	\$56.63
Vital Statistics	\$125.00
Miscellaneous	\$23.32
Total Receipts Remitted to Treasurer	\$223,972.21

Number of Boat Registrations 448
Number of Dogs Licensed 145



"THE ROLLING HOMESTEAD,
RESIDENCE OF LYDIA ROLLING,
NEWPORT, ILL.

**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
PROPERTY AND RESIDENT TAXES**

Levy of 2003

-DR-

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$5,933,970.52
Resident Taxes	5,360.00
Total Warrants	\$5,939,330.52
Added Taxes:	
Resident Taxes	30.00
Interest charged on Property Taxes	1,505.36
Penalties charged on Resident Taxes	9.00
TOTAL	\$5,940,874.88

-CR-

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$3,608,766.84
Resident Taxes	4,410.00
Interest Collected	1,505.36
Penalties Collected	9.00
Abatements:	
Resident Taxes	350.00
Uncollected Taxes – 12/31/03	
Property Taxes	\$2,325,203.68
Resident Taxes	630.00
TOTAL	\$5,940,874.88

Levy of 2002

-DR-

Uncollected Taxes – 12/31/03

Property Taxes	\$2,496,100.50
Resident Taxes	840.00
Total Uncollected Taxes	\$2,496,940.50
Added Resident Taxes	10.00
Interest charged on Property Taxes	4,652.95
Penalties charged on Resident Taxes	45.00
Refund Property Taxes	1,079.10
TOTAL	\$2,502,727.55

-CR-

Remittances to Treasurer

Property Taxes	\$2,495,583.30
Resident Taxes	500.00
Interest Collected	4,608.49
Penalties Collected	45.00
Abatements	
Property Taxes	1,598.12
Resident Taxes	330.00
Interest	42.64
Uncollected Taxes	
Resident Taxes	20.00
TOTAL	\$2,502,727.55

TAX LIEN LEVY OF 2002

-DR-

Uncollected Tax Lien - 12/31/03	\$9538.91
Interest charged	50.50
Lien Costs charged	48.75
TOTAL	\$9,638.16

-CR-

Remittances to Treasurer	
Tax Lien Redemption	\$2,483.96
Lien Costs	48.75
Interest	50.50
Uncollected Tax Lien - 12/31/03	\$7,054.95
TOTAL	\$9,638.16



James William Hoyt with daughters Lizzie and Sophia, John Hoyt

Levy of 2001

-DR-

Uncollected Taxes – 12/31/03

Resident Taxes	\$90.00
Penalties Charged	2.00
TOTAL	\$92.00

-CR-

Remittances to Treasurer

Resident Taxes	\$20.00
Penalties Collected	2.00
Abatements	
Resident Taxes	60.00
Uncollected Taxes – 12/31/03	
Resident Taxes	10.00
TOTAL	\$92.00



Albert Hodgdon, 1953

TAX LIEN LEVY OF 2001

-DR-

Uncollected Tax Lien – 12/31/03	\$2,788.56
Interest and Tax Lien charged	422.45
TOTAL	\$3,211.01

-CR-

Remittances to Treasurer	
Tax Lien Redemption	827.55
Interest and Tax Lien Costs	422.45
Uncollected Taxes – 12/31/03	\$1,961.01
TOTAL	\$3,211.01



Nettie Hodgdon

Levy of 2000

-DR-

Uncollected Taxes – 12/31/03

Resident Taxes	\$20.00
TOTAL	\$20.00

-CR-

Abatements

Resident Taxes	\$10.00
Uncollected Taxes – 12/31/03	
Resident Taxes	\$10.00
TOTAL	\$20.00

Treasurer's Report

2003

Total Cash Balance as of January 1, 2003	\$1,809,409.46
Less Investment Account Balances January 1, 2003	\$352,134.87
Opening General Fund Balance January 1, 2003	\$1,457,274.59

Receipts:

Selectmen's Office	\$497,736.01
Tax Collector (48 Reports)	\$6,125,300.36
Town Clerk (54 Reports)	\$223,972.21
Fire Department Revenue	\$28,729.95
Police Department Revenue	\$132,208.14
Investment Accounts	\$300,000.00
Interest and Adjustments	\$41,774.26

Disbursements:

Accounts Payable (56 Reports)	\$6,750,914.69
Payroll	\$1,268,579.66
Investment Accounts	
Bank Charges and Adjustments	\$4,198.08
Closing General Fund Balance December 31, 2003	\$783,303.09
Investment Account Totals December 31, 2003	\$53,243.14
Total Cash Balance December 31, 2003	\$836,546.23

Town Escrow Accounts

Conservation Fund	\$211,886.43
Air Pollution Mitigation Fund	\$89,128.82
Woodbury Avenue Sidewalk	\$20,724.70
Coakley Land Fill	\$40,802.54
Patten	\$7,596.34

REPORT of the TOWN of NEWINGTON, N.H. TRUST FUNDS
December 31, 2003

December 31, 2003

CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNTS
December 31, 2003

Fire Department Vehicle Replacement and/or Repair Fund	Balance	December 31,2002	\$116,071 42
		Withdrawals	24,257 27
		Deposits	20,000 00
		Interest Earned	912 20
	Balance	December 31,2003	<u>112,726 35</u>
 Ambulance and Major Medical Equipment Replacement Fund	 Balance	December 31,2002	\$51,571 03
		Withdrawals	19,222.00
		Deposits	12,000 00
		Interest Earned	376.12
	Balance	December 31,2003	<u>44,725 15</u>
 Police Department Radio Equipment Fund	 Balance	December 31,2002	\$63,594 01
		Withdrawals	12,384 75
		Deposits	0 00
		Interest Earned	461.29
	Balance	December 31,2003	<u>51,670 55</u>
 Fire Department Digital Radio Equipment Fund	 Balance	December 31,2002	\$42,042 41
		Withdrawals	0 00
		Deposits	10,000 00
		Interest Earned	404.97
	Balance	December 31,2003	<u>52,447 38</u>
 Town Wide Revaluation	 Balance	December 31,2002	\$74,361.02
		Withdrawals	97,688.50
		Deposits	25,000 00
		Interest Earned	720.25
	Balance	December 31,2003	<u>2,392.77</u>
 Air Pollution Mitigation Fund	 Balance	December 31,2002	\$88,303.65
		Withdrawals	0.00
		Deposits	0 00
		Interest Earned	763.04
	Balance	December 31,2003	<u>89,066.69</u>
 School Property Maintenance Fund	 Balance	December 31,2002	\$60,561.24
		Withdrawals	49,327.88
		Deposits	30,000 00
		Interest Earned	559.91
	Balance	December 31,2003	<u>41,793.27</u>
 Fox Point Pavillion	 Balance	December 31,2002	\$0 00
		Withdrawals	0 00
		Deposits	25,000 00
		Interest Earned	100.44
	Balance	December 31,2003	<u>25,100.44</u>

Board of Adjustment Report

The Board of Adjustment considered the following applications during the year 2003:

- Scott Webber of 114 Patterson Lane requested a variance to permit a septic system 11 feet from the property line where the Zoning Ordinance requires 15 feet. The request was granted.
- Joseph Mitchell requested 3 variances to permit the installation of a cooler behind the Nimble Hill Road Exxon store. The request was granted.
- Robert Allard requested an Equitable Waiver of Dimensional Requirements in order to permit a sign adjacent to Shattuck Way to remain at its present location. The request was granted.
- Sea-3 requested a variance to permit a fire escape along the west side of their office building off of Avery Road. The request was granted.
- Matthew Scarponi requested a variance to permit a house lot with 46 feet of road frontage at 74 Little Bay Road where the Zoning Ordinance requires 200 feet. The request was denied.
- Lordeo Pier Associates requested a variance in order to re-locate their sign from Old Dover Road to Shattuck Way. The request was granted.
- Portsmouth Chevrolet requested a variance to allow a building setback of 72 feet from wetlands where a 100 foot setback is required. The request was granted with the stipulation that no vehicles are to be parked within 20 feet of Woodbury Avenue.
- Enterprise Rent-A-Car requested a variance to permit a rent-a-car facility at 40 Old Dover Road. The request was denied.

Respectfully submitted

Matthew Morton, Chairman



Dear Newington Residents:

2003 has been both a rewarding and challenging year for the Board of Selectmen. As your elected representatives, it is our responsibility to ensure your awareness and to respond to your desires and reactions. This responsibility is a difficult one to follow through with when complicated and controversial decisions are involved.

We would like to extend a sincere thank you to all Newington Volunteers. Elected Officials and Town Employees who continue to contribute to the Town's progression. This has truly been a team effort and we appreciate all the hours and hard work that go into managing the affairs of our Town.

The Board would also like to thank long time residents Barbara Hill and Richard Rines. Earlier this year, Barbara and her husband relocated to Maine leaving behind her legacy of service and commitment to the Town. After 25 years of dedicated service to the Town and its residents, Richard Rines retired in December. The Board sends a very appreciative thank you to both Dick and Barbara.

Projects that have been completed by the Board of Selectmen include the following:

- Paving of Old Dover Road, Patterson Lane and part of Fox Point Road
- Replacement of Police Department Roof
- Replacement of Town Hall ceiling tiles
- Purchase of new Town truck and backhoe
- The opening of the ICR (Shattuck Way)

We will continue to fight to eliminate the grossly unfair statewide Property Tax (now called the "Enhanced Education Tax" to sound better to those receiving our "donations"). We realize the severe impact it has on all of our taxpayers.

In closing, The Board of Selectmen would like to encourage all residents to participate in Town affairs by taking part in one of our various committees. This will ensure a continued quality of life for our families and neighbors of the Town of Newington.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jack O'Reilly
Chairman



Town Backhoe



Town Truck

Building Department Report

My time as Newington's Building Inspector has been unique. I find the Town has a rich history and a quality of life very reminiscent of years past. Newington has a quaint rural type residential district that is the epitome of quiet, friendly neighborhoods and country roads.

The Town has a very extensive commercial and industrial district that places near city like demands on the department. Newington has the privilege of having two residents serving the community as inspectors. Renato Maldini serves as the Electrical Inspector and Robert Hart serves as the Plumbing & Mechanical Inspector. The talents of these individuals allow the department to operate efficiently.

Summary of Permits Issued:

Electrical Permits = 74 revenue \$8,538.00

Plumbing Permits = 52 revenue \$9,577.00

Building Permits = 103 revenue \$40,774.00

Total Value of Construction by permit \$7,356,540.00

Number of Inspections per permit:

Electrical and plumbing requires 1 to 3 inspections per permit (average 2)
Building requires 3 to 4 inspections per permit (average 3)

No. Electrical inspections = 148

No. Plumbing inspections = 104

No. Building inspections = 206

Total inspections 2003 = 458

Respectfully Submitted,

Charles Smart
Building Inspector
Code Enforcement Officer

Cemetery Committee Report

Members of the Cemetery Committee met several times this year to review the grounds, fences and records. First, we were very impressed with the meticulous care that Bill Beals, our Cemetery Superintendent, has spent on maintaining the burial records for the Town, as well as the amounts spent from individual trust funds. We very much appreciate the thought and care that Bill has spent on these activities. Over time, the Committee agreed that the next step is to computerize these records so names and lots can be searched and indexed. Death records also need to be computerized.

The grounds of the cemetery could be improved. There are problems with grubs destroying the grass, lichen growing in large dry patches on the hill, overgrown trees and brush and limbs overhanging on the fences. A major issue seems to be the lack of water and the heat of the sun on sections of the barren hilltop. Since watering is not an option, the Committee discussed adding trees or shrubs to the cemetery to provide natural shade and prevent some of the sun's continuing damage.

Money is certainly an issue. The Town expends money just to mow the grass. This accounts for the whole cemetery budget minus a couple of hundred dollars. This issue proved to be more than the Committee could handle this year, so it was decided to first spend time and effort on creating a 5-10 year plan for cemetery upkeep and improvements. We suggest creating a capital reserve fund dedicated to the cemetery as part of this plan.

As the plan is developed, thought must go into repairing/ replacing portions of the fence around the cemetery as well as what care and maintenance needs to be done at the smaller cemeteries scattered around Town. These activities are required by law. One problem seems to be that volunteers have no insurance coverage, so the Town needs to hire contractors or use Town employees.

If anyone is interested, donations can be made towards the general care of the cemetery, as well as towards one's individual lot. For work to be done on an individual lot, donations must cover both supplies and labor. The Committee did discuss starting a program where people could donate money to purchase a shrub or tree. Donor names would then be engraved on a marker or plaque. Much thought still needs to be done to decide what is worthwhile.

Sincerely,

Clifford Abbott
Dorothy Watson

Lulu Piekering
William Beals

Conservation Commission Report

Throughout the year the Commission continued to review and make recommendations concerning applications being submitted to the N.H. Dept. of Environmental Services for projects affecting wetlands, as well as those projects which fall within the purview of the State of N.H. Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act.

The Commission also continued to work with the Planning Board in reviewing landscaping proposals submitted in connection with applications for development, with a view to insuring aesthetically-pleasing sites which will reflect well on the Town.

A major undertaking of the Commission during the past eighteen months, working many hours with wetland scientist Mark West, was a comprehensive inventory of the Town's wetland resources, which consists of state-of-the-art-ortho-quad maps. The Commission believes this formally-documented inventory will greatly assist the Town in planning for future development and, in this regard, submitted for the Planning Board's approval, a proposed new wetland ordinance. This proposed ordinance will appear as a warrant article at the March 2004 Town meeting. The Commission gratefully acknowledges the able assistance of Town Planner Tom Morgan in bringing this major project to fruition.

The Commission continued its active support of the Frink family in their quest for grant assistance under the Farm and Ranch Lands Protection Program in order to preserve their open land through a conservation easement. It is with pleasure that the Commission notes the success of this endeavor.

The Commission took action to insure that the boundaries of the Town; acquired Trickey's Cove parcel were properly surveyed and provided for the review of the existing boundaries of the Town Forest land the PDA has agreed to return to the Town. The Commission also took an active interest in a number of proposals which would affect wetland areas in other seacoast communities as well as Newington. Among these were the proposal for the Greenland Mall and N.H. Senate Bill 70 establishing a commission to study implementing a recommendation of the N.H. Estuaries project plan.

Respectfully Submitted,

Margaret Lamson, Chairman
Kathleen Akerley, Vice Chairman

Emergency Management Report

What does the Town of Newington prepare for? How can one prepare for every contingency? While the Town is well prepared to handle both major and minor emergencies, it is very important that every citizen also know what to do. Understanding how to act in an emergency before the police, fire or rescue units arrive can be critical.

It would be very helpful to have first aid supplies on hand. Unless you have some advanced medical training, a very basic kit is all that is needed. Basic hand tools can be useful and are a part of most households. It is a good idea to have both battery operated flashlights and radios available in case of a power outage. Remember to rotate these batteries on a regular basis and do monthly tests to your home alarms (i.e. smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors). It is also recommended to have other preparedness supplies, such as a three-day supply of drinking water and food items that can be consumed without the aid of electricity or gas.

There are some basic actions you can take in any given situation. Stay where you are as long as you can do so safely. This can be taken one step further depending on need, by shutting outside ventilation systems and sealing openings. Evacuate in events such as a fire or other hazards within the home. Exit routes should already be determined depending upon where you are in the house. There should also be designated meeting places outside of the home where you can account quickly for all household members. Any responding emergency personnel should be notified upon their arrival of the status of all family members. If it is not safe to stay in your home you may have to leave for a shelter. **Our shelter is the Town Hall.** If bigger more permanent shelters are necessary, the Red Cross and FEMA are capable of bringing in tent type shelters or arrangements would be made to use the shelters set aside in the Seabrook Power Plant Plan. Bear in mind that shelters are not the most comfortable places. Most people will start seeking places with relatives out of the affected area or hotel accommodations.

Town services will be quickly overwhelmed in a large-scale emergency. We will need to recall personnel and call for mutual aid. Police and Fire have long had mutual aid agreements with surrounding communities. The Town recently entered into mutual aid agreements for public works as well as building inspectors. The future holds not only agencies within their field but more cross trained people who can assist in an emergency with situations they may not normally handle. There has been an increased communication with state and federal officials as well as private industry.

Area police, fire, ambulance and Portsmouth Hospital have met several times over the past several months to put the smallpox inoculation plan in place should we need it. The group worked so well together that we have decided to meet periodically and work together on any other issues of concern.

We have also been in close contact with school officials. We have reviewed plans and conducted evacuation drills. We will continue to do so.

The Town has existing plans in place that are continuously updated. There are Presidential directives coming down through the Office of Homeland Security that outline requirements that must be met by all Towns and Cities if we are to remain eligible for federal funds. By 2004 we need to have an all hazards mitigation plan in place. By 2005 our emergency plans need to reflect an Incident Command System.

We are in close contact with representatives of the industrial community. These people have many years in their respective fields. They have a great deal of expertise and in many cases their companies operated throughout the world in locations that are far more hostile than Newington, N.H. These companies also have millions of dollars invested in community infrastructure and are very conscious of the company image. They want to do everything they can to prevent any damage and to fix quickly and effectively any problem that occurs. Sprague holds a large drill every year incorporating many different groups of people.

Hopefully the Town of Newington will not experience a natural or man-made disaster to employ all of the teams and groups that stand ready to serve our community. Please know that we are as prepared as we have ever been to respond to any type of emergency situation. We invite you to contact us or stop in the offices if you have any questions or concerns.

Police Chief Bradley B. Loomis & Fire Chief Roy Greenleaf
Co-Emergency Management Directors

Fire Department Report

In the year 2003, the Fire and EMS apparatus responded to 548 calls. The breakdown of Ambulance and Fire calls combined is: 255 EMS calls and 293 Fire calls. This is a 2% increase over last year's total.

The following is a break down of calls by district:

72% Industrial and Commercial
19% Residents
9% Mutual Aid

In addition to the calls mentioned above, the department responded to 99 public assists, 480 inspections for various businesses, 300 calls to service Fire Alarm & Systems to various businesses in Town and lastly, 81 of Stand-by coverage done by the Call Department. Also, the 664 hours spent at extensive training sessions, for both Fire and EMS. That is a total of 1508 calls for service in 2003.

During the year 2003, the Department lost 3 full-time employees. Two of these to lateral transfers and one to serve active duty for an 18 month period in Iraq starting January 2004.

Thanks to the 8 full time employees and 2 active call department members for their time and efforts in not only protecting lives, but protecting the property of the taxpayers within the boundaries of the Town of Newington. It is our goal to continue our education, here and throughout the State, to keep this Town protected and safe.

I would like to take this time to explain to you what has been achieved and donated to the Town from the government and local businesses. During the last year and a half, the Fire Department has either through grants or donations, saved the Town money or turned money back to the town, in the sum of \$248,558.

Firefighting Equipment donations by businesses	\$46,000
Fire Act Grant	\$91,760
Homeland Security Grant	\$23,000
Ambulance Fees	\$35,940 (2002)
Ambulance Fees	\$28,358 (2003)
Fire Alarm Fees	\$600 (2002)
Fire Alarm Fees	\$900 (2003)

Once again, I would like to thank all that donate their time to the protection of lives and property here in the Town. We would like to remind you that we are here to serve YOU!

Respectfully Submitted,

Roy Greenleaf, Fire Chief

Lt. Thomas McQuade, EMS Coordinator



Newington Fire Truck, 1964

Historic District Commission Report

The Historic District Commission (HDC) met regularly during the year 2003. Some of the topics of interest the HDC dealt with included: the Industrial Road, Darius Frink Grant through the Farmland Protection Program, Phase One of the NHDOT Little Bay Project, the rehabilitation of the Old Stone School and Old Town Hall for public use, the Town Master Plan and the Old Town Forest. The HDC is also pursuing the restoration of old Town books.

One of the most significant events for the HDC was the relocation and resignation of Barbara Hill. Barbara has served as HDC Chairperson for many years. Her contributions to the Town of Newington are vast and she is remembered as a citizen who made a difference. The HDC welcomed Krista Low who will fill the vacaney left by Barbara and will fill the role of recorder. Suzie is the acting Chair. The IIDC unanimously supports the rehabilitation of the Old Stone School and the Old Town Hall. Suzie will continue to present the HDC position at meeting on these buildings in 2004.

No grants were submitted in 2003. The HDC is pursuing building the stone wall in front of the Parsonage. Grants for this project were denied in 2001. The HDC has "in kind" donation of stone for the project. Wal-Mart made a donation of \$500 toward building the wall. The target for work to start on the wall is the spring of 2004.

We are always interested in assisting property owners who wish to prepare their property for national registry eligibility or wish to investigate funding from the NH Agricultural Resources Bill. Barns, cider mills and blacksmith shops are some of the structures eligible for funding. There are experienced HDC members prepared to help families who want to restore, protect and conserve historic sites which contribute to the cultural resources of Newington.

Maintaining the rural, historic character of Newington is the vision of the HDC. We remain the voice for the importance of the rich cultural and historic character of our wonderful community.

Members: Pam Blevins, Suzie Carmichael, Krista Low, Barbara Myers, Gail Pare, Jan Stewart (Selectmen's Rep.) and Winnie Welsh.

Respectfully Submitted,

Suzie Carmichael
Acting Chairman

Langdon Library Report

2003 was a banner year for the Langdon Library. After a good start on updating the library collection, especially the children's area, the library underwent a radical transformation. With the help of many volunteers, shelving and books were moved to create a new children's area, media area, and puzzle and coffee area, which made the library more user friendly. Thanks once again go to the many volunteers that made this transformation possible.

With the new children's area came more children's programs. Every Thursday at noon, kindergartners gather for story-time, music and crafts. Beginning in December, first through sixth graders traveled to the library with Principal Helen Rist each Friday. They are learning how to use the library and what Langdon Library has to offer them. Lastly, the library enjoyed a very successful 2003 summer reading program. This has prompted the Library Trustees to evaluate the need for a separate children's programming budget for 2004.

As each section of the library is continually evaluated and updated, we at Langdon Library are happy to serve Newington residents with their many requests. We hope to implement more programs for adults as well as the children in 2004.

Langdon Library has served over 6,000 and circulated over 7,500 items in the year 2003. The library has over 12,000 holdings and averages 35 reference and interlibrary loans each month.

Langdon Library provides the following services:

Access to Internet with copier (\$.10 per page, \$.25 per color page)	Kindergarten Story- Time Local History Collection Magazines Paperback Exchange Parent's shelf of books on child related issues Personal Reference Assistance Puzzles and Games State and Federal Tax Forms Summer Reading Program
After hours book return	
Best seller reserve service	
Books on tape	
Book renewal by Phone	
Book sales	
DVDs and VHS movies	
Genealogical Resources	
Interlibrary Loans	
Photocopier (\$.10 per page)	

Respectfully Submitted,

Becky Marks
Library Director

Mosquito Control Report

The 2003 season was wet and humid- perfect conditions for mosquito development. Our crews were very busy trying to cope with above normal freshwater and saltwater mosquito breeding. Our street spraying program was expanded to include various requests from Town residents. All work was completed without going over budget.

West Nile Virus (WNV) continues to increase with each passing year. Birds with WNV were so common in 2003 that the state decided to no longer accept them for testing. Since WNV had been documented throughout New Hampshire and North America, state health officials decided that their limited funding should be allocated for other WNV related uses. Various measures are being completed in Newington in response to the WNV threat. Freshwater habitats have been identified with mosquito species capable of WNV transmission. These habitats are now being monitored and larviced as necessary. Our street spraying program will be increased if necessary. We are mowing the tall, invasive grass (called Phragmites) at the elementary school and to minimize mosquito breeding habitat (stagnation) and are looking at other similar habitats for maintenance in the future. This is an example of effective mosquito control without spraying.

In 2004, we plan to identify, monitor and larvicide wetland habitats that breed mosquitos associated with WNV. There is a new mosquito in our area called "japonicus". Japonicus was identified by us in Newington in 2002. It is a mosquito that breeds in the stagnant water of containers such as tires, cans, pool covers, clogged gutters, bird baths and other vessels capable of holding rainwater for extended periods of time. Japonicus is prevalent in catch basins and stormwater basins. This mosquito is a priority for mosquito control programs throughout North America since it is an excellent vector of WNV and other human diseases.

Mosquito control programs are expanding in New Hampshire as WNV becomes endemic to our area. Many communities are still unprotected and scrambling to start programs. Newington has an advantage over other communities in already having an established mosquito control program. WNV may be here to stay but the odds of human incidence can be reduced dramatically with a comprehensive mosquito control program.

Michael Morrison
Entomologist

Planning Board Report

During the year 2003, the Planning Board took the following actions:

- Provided advice to Portsmouth officials regarding their efforts to seek future water supply sources in Newington;
- Approved a lot line adjustment between Consolidated Edison and the Mareld Corporation near Shattuck Way;
- Evaluated the condition of Shattuck Way for formal acceptance as a Town Road in response to a request by the Selectmen;
- Met with Consolidated Edison in order to minimize noise at the new power plant;
- Approved a request by Warren & Jeanne Heath for a 2-lot subdivision at 468 Newington Road;
- Approved a request by Lordco to install a herring holding tank at 18 Old Dover Road;
- Approved a request by Matthew Scarponi for a 2-lot subdivision at 74 Little Bay Road;
- Approved a request by the Crossings at Fox Run to allow a Longhorn restaurant at the site of Midas Muffler;
- Approved a request by Joseph Mitchell to expand the Nimble Hill Exxon store;
- Approved a request by Peter Drinkwater for a lot line adjustment off of Fabyan Point Road;
- Approved a request by Tyco for a 5-lot subdivision;
- Approved a request by Tyco to allow the construction of two restaurants: Pizzerina Uno and Smokey Bones off of Woodbury Avenue;
- Approved a request by Consolidated Edison to reconfigure their visitors parking lot near Shattuck Way;

- Approved a request by Anthony & Mary Edith Smith for a lot line adjustment at Hodgdon Farm Lane;
- Approved a request by Gurubhai Khalsa for a 2-lot subdivision at 11 Old Post Road;
- Approved a request by Evelyn Ferland for a 2-lot subdivision at the corner of Captains' Landing and Little Bay Road;
- Approved a request by Sea-3 to expand their office off of Avery Road;
- Approved a request by David & Susan Philbrick and Mary Jo Haskell for a lot line adjustment at 4-12 Brickyard Way;
- Approved a request by Sprague Energy to construct infrastructure for the transport and storage of wood chips at their River Road terminal;
- Approved a request by Hyder Enterprises to establish a tire store at the Star Center opposite WalMart; and
- Approved a request by Michael & Jane Mazeau for a five lot subdivision at the corner of Beane Lane and Fox Point Road;

Applications currently pending before the board are as follows:

- A proposal by Portsmouth Chevrolet to replace their existing building with a larger structure, and to expand the paved area of the property by 25%;
- A proposal by Gurubhai Khalsa for a 7-lot subdivision at 300 Little Bay Road; and
- A proposal by Keith Frizzell to establish a truck terminal at 34 Patterson Lane;

The board has held a work session nearly every month in order to prepare an update to the Town's Master Plan. That project is on schedule. We anticipate completion by December 2004. As always the Planning Board welcomes your comments, input and attendance at our meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

Albert Hislop, Chairman

Police Department Report

There were no changes in full-time personnel this year. We did lose several part-time people, being currently staffed at 6. We have long been dependent on part time help as they filled ten shifts a week. After exploring options of trying to find new part-time people vs. moving the schedule around, we came to the conclusion that it was more economical to move the schedule around. This was the most significant change to the department. We went to ten hour shifts. As a result we were able to reduce our dependence on part-time help to four shifts a week without increasing full-time personnel. It also increases nighttime coverage.

We are also in the process of upgrading technology. We replaced old computers and upgraded memory on others. As a result of a federal grant to UNH, they have been developing voice activated hands free technology for police cars using off the shelf components in a user friendly format. They are providing at no cost to us the following: new computer, screen and keyboard, two new radars and technology at the department that should allow us to run motor vehicle and record checks right from the car. The hands free technology and the ability to access information will be a big boost to officer safety. We have already converted two cars and will be converting the other two marked units.

Activity numbers are very comparable to last year. We covered 205 accidents, stopped 2,664 cars, issued 1,574 warnings and 444 summonses.

Arrests:

48	Shoplifting	3	Receiving Stolen Property
23	Warrants	2	Robbery
12	Thefts	2	Fugitive from Justice
6	Assaults	2	False Report
5	Forgery	2	Harassment
4	Criminal Threatening	2	Violation of Restraining Order
4	Criminal Mischief	1	Obscene Materials
4	Trespass	1	Reckless Conduct
3	Credit Card Fraud	1	Indecent Exposure
3	Drugs	1	Hindering Apprehension

Motor Vehicle Arrests:

25	Operating after Suspension	3	Reckless Driving
11	DWI	3	Disobeying an Officer
8	Operating without License	2	Habitual Offender
6	Drugs	1	Allowing Improper Person to Operate
5	Conduct after an Accident		

Respectfully Submitted,

Bradley B. Loomis
Chief of Police



Town Bicentennial, 1964

Recreation Committee Report

The Recreation Committee is happy to report on another successful year of fun filled activities! Our members worked hard for all of Newington's residents, young and old, to have activities to enjoy this past year. In return for our hard work, the Towns' residents and employees supported our programs fully and made all of our programs a wonderful success. Special thanks to all of you from the Selectmen down to those who brought baked goods to our first "**Septemberfest**".

We started the year off with the fabulous help of Mrs. Sue Carol in planning the **Easter Egg Hunt**. Mr. Keith Frizzell (V.P. Rec.) donated his residence to the Easter Bunny to stuff all of those delicious Easter eggs that were eagerly hunted by the children. Much fun was had by all at the hunt in the Town Forest.

Moving right along through the year, the **Senior Dinner** 2003 which was coordinated by Mrs. Peggy Lamson and enjoyed by 70 others, took place on May 4th. What a feast! If you missed the prime rib and chicken cordon bleu then keep tuned for the dinner of 2004.

The new **Newington YMCA Summer Camp** at the public school was a huge success even though the kids missed the Old Stone School. Special thanks to all of you who lent a hand to move supplies. Comments on the critiques were extremely positive this year. We will continue to make the program even better in 2004! The last day ceremony got rave reviews; the counselors did a great job with the kids! Comments from anyone concerning this program can be emailed to Jack Anderson at janderson151@comcast.net. Special kudos again to Ms. Becky Marks ("Librarian extraordinaire") for her help!

Our committee wrapped up the year with an incredible social event out on Fox Point; our first **Septemberfest** and HOW ABOUT THAT NEW ENGLAND WEATHER! What a beautiful night it was, even without the bonfire and haunted house! People that attended enjoyed the band, tractor rides, food, pony rides and the castle/ moonwalk.

Other accomplishments this year were the purchasing of soccer nets for the fields and **basketball trophies for the children's teams**. Our members Mr. Jeff Boynton and Chairman Pete MacDonald donated their time unselfishly to build a **new shed** for the recreation supplies. The shed will help to keep our recreation equipment in great shape for many years to come.

Thank you so much Newington for all you do! The Recreation Committee thanks you!

Sewer Commission Report
Sewer Assessments

Levy of 2003

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Sewer Assessments committed to Collector (1 st billing)	\$327,287.00
Sewer Assessments committed to Collector (2 nd billing)	\$218,187.00
TOTAL WARRANTS	<hr/> \$545,474.00
Interest Charged	\$703.70
Septic Fees & Hookups charged	\$1,900.00
TOTAL	<hr/> \$548,077.70

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Remittances to Treasurer:

Assessments	\$521,993.00
Interest Collected	\$703.70
Septic Fees & Hookups collected	\$1,900.00
Uncollected Assessments	\$23,481.00
TOTAL	<hr/> \$548,077.70

Levy of 2002

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Uncollected Assessments	\$25,639.00
Interest Charged	\$2,607.40
TOTAL	\$28,246.40

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Remittances to Treasurer:

Assessments	\$24,755.11
Interest Collected	\$2,607.40
Uncollected Assessments	\$883.89
TOTAL	\$28,246.40

Respectfully Submitted,

Ruth K. Fletcher, Collector



Town Bicentennial, 1964

Newington Sewer Commission
Statement of Revenues & Expenditures

Receipts

Sewer Betterments.....	\$551,962.41
PSNH Rebate.....	\$300.00
Interest Transferred.....	\$10,000.00
Principal Transferred.....	-0-....
Total	\$562,262.41

Disbursements

Operating Contract.....	\$329,940.00
Salaries.....	\$9,000.00
Plant/ Vehicle Insurance.....	\$7,500.00
Town Service.....	\$750.00
Legal.....	\$885.00
Sludge Disposal.....	\$61,351.00
Major Maintenance.....	\$117,628.00
Testing.....	\$7,090.00
Supplies.....	\$47.00
Contingency.....	\$4,090.00
Abatements.....	-0-....
Transferred to Money Market.....	\$21,061.35
Total.....	\$559,342.35

Recap. General Fund

Operating Balance.....	\$3,437.62
Revenue.....	\$562,262.41
Total.....	\$565,700.03
Less Disbursements.....	\$559,342.35
Closing Balance.....	\$6,357.68

Newington Sewer Commission
Statement of Accounts

Money Market (Bank of New Hampshire)
(Acct. # 800-639-3)

Balance 12/31/02.....\$227,441.67

Interest Earned.....	\$2,692.33
Transferred In.....	\$370,000.00
Transferred Out.....	\$365,000.00
Check Printing Charge.....	(\$12.30)

Balance 12/31/03....\$235,121.70

NH Investment Pool (Enterprise Fund)
(NH-01-65-01)

Balance 12/31/02.....\$658,524.53

Interest Earned.....	\$5,318.34
Transferred In.....	-0-....
Transferred Out.....	\$5,300.00

Balance 12/31/03....\$658,542.87

NH Investment Pool (General Fund)
(NH-01-65-02)

Balance 12/31/02.....\$250,614.33

Interest Earned.....	\$2,025.89
Transferred In.....	-0-....
Transferred Out.....	-0-....

Balance 12/31/03....\$252,639.22

Vital Statistics 2003

Births 2003

Date of Birth	Child's Name	Father's Name	Mother's Name
January 9	Chase Reilly	David Mueller	Kellie Mueller
September 13	Mia Elizabeth	Lawrence Smith	Molly Smith

Deaths and Interments 2003

Month	Name of Deceased	Place of Death
January	Helen Sweeney	Portsmouth, NH
March	Virginia Elsie Furber	Portsmouth, NH
April	Dorothy Pearl Brooks	Exeter, NH
May	Roland Thomas Roy	Newington, NH
June	Athan P. Chamberas	Newington, NH
June	Michael Vougias	Newington, NH
July	Raymond Arthur Samplawski	Rye, NH
July	Anita Marie Kent	Portsmouth, NH
August	Jessie Alden Bean	Portsmouth, NH
August	Oleksiy M. Bogomolov	Newington, NH
September	Peter Hetzler	Portsmouth, NH
November	Robert A. Downs	Portsmouth, NH
December	Corinne Michel de Rochemont	Boston, MA
December	Michael Daniel Barnaby	Portsmouth, NH

Marriages 2003

Month	Name of Groom	Name of Bride	Place of Residence
April 7	Gary A. Goss	Cynthia L. Hall	Newington, NH Newington, NH
June 13	Paul R. Simms	Ellen B. Moriarty	Newington, NH Hampton, NH
July 12	James S. Bowles	Susan M. Roy	Newington, NH Newington, NH
September 24	Donald P. Delisle	Dolores M. Levesque	Newington, NH Portsmouth, NH

**ANNUAL REPORTS OF THE
NEWINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT**
Newington, New Hampshire

Fiscal year July 1, 2002 to June 30, 2003

MATERIAL INCLUDED IN THIS REPORT

School District Officials
Minutes of the March 15, 2003, District Meeting
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Portsmouth High School Principal's Report
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School Enrollments
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Teachers and Staff
Auditor's Report

SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICIALS

School Board Members	Jack Anderson.....	2006
	Deirdre Link.....	2004
	Helen Maldini.....	2004
Moderator.....	Ruth K. Fletcher.....	2006
Clerk.....	Jane Mazeau.....	2006
Treasurer.....	Luanne O'Reilly.....	2006

Superintendent of Schools – George A. Cushing

MINUTES
NEWINGTON ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING
SATURDAY, MARCH 15, 2003

School District Moderator, Ruth Fletcher, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 15, 2003.

Moderator Fletcher proceeded to read the Newington School District Warrant.

Article 1: To see if the Newington School District will vote to raise and appropriate one million five hundred twenty-eight thousand four hundred forty-nine dollars (\$1,528,449) for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for the school district officials and agents, and for the payment for the statutory obligations of the district. (Majority vote required.) (NOTE: This warrant article [operating budget] does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant article.)

Article 2: To see if the Newington School District will raise and appropriate the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) to be added to the previously established School Property Maintenance Fund, a non capital reserve fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1-c; for the purpose of repairing and maintaining the school buildings and grounds. (Majority vote required.) (NOTE: This warrant article appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article 1, operating budget.)

The school board recommends this appropriation. The budget committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 3: To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees and/or officers therefore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

Article 4: To transact any further business that may legally come before the meeting.

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Article 2: To see if the Newington School District will raise and appropriate the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) to be added to the previously established School Property Maintenance Fund, a non capital reserve fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1-c; for the purpose of repairing and maintaining the school buildings and grounds. Moved by Jean Bowser 2nd by Jeanne Haskins. There was some discussion about clarifying what the \$30,000 was for. There was no further discussion. Voted. Motion carries unanimously.

Article 3: To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees and/or officers therefore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto. Moved by John Klanchesser 2nd by Peggy Lamson. Moderator Fletcher read the results of the ballot election.

Article 4: To transact any further business that may legally come before the meeting. Moved by Jean Bowser 2nd by Peggy Lamson. There being no further business voted. Motion carries.

Moderator Fletcher made a motion to adjourn. Moved by John Klanchesser 2nd by Barbara Hill.

Moderator Fletcher declared the meeting adjourned at 1:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ W. Jane Mazeau
School District Clerk

Election Results 2003

School Board Member – 3 years
Jack Anderson

School District Moderator – 3 years
Ruth Fletcher

School District Treasurer – 3 years
Luanne O'Reilly

School District Clerk – 3 years
Jane Mazeau

NEWINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

2004

The State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the School District of the Town of Newington, in the County of Rockingham and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote upon district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Newington Town Hall in said District on Tuesday, March 9, 2004, at 11:00 o'clock in the forenoon until 7:00 o'clock in the evening, to vote on the following:

1. To choose one (1) Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
2. To choose one (1) Member of the School Board for the ensuing year.

NOTICE: The foregoing procedure calling for election of your district officers at the annual meeting was adopted by the district at its 1962 meeting.

Given under our hands and seals at said Newington this 10th day of February 2004.

A true copy of warrant -- Attest:

Jack Anderson
Deirdre Link
Helen Maldini

NEWINGTON SCHOOL BOARD

NEWINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT

2004

The State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the School District of Newington in the County of Rockingham, and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote upon District Affairs: you are hereby notified to meet at the Newington Town Hall in said District on Saturday, March 13, 2004, at 1:00 p.m. to act upon the following:

NOTICE: School District Officers are to be elected at the Town Meeting, Tuesday, March 9, 2004. Polls will be open at 11:00 a.m. and will not close before 7:00 p.m. in accordance with the statutory procedure adopted by the District at its February 28, 1962, annual meeting.

Article 1: To see if the Newington School District will vote to raise and appropriate the budget committee's recommended amount of \$1,586,970 for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for the school district officials and agents, and for the payment for the statutory obligations of the District. The school board recommends \$1,586,970. (Majority vote required.) (NOTE: This warrant article [operating budget] does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant article.)

Article 2: To see if the Newington School District will vote to approve the cost item included in the collective bargaining agreement between the Newington School Board and the Association of Coastal Teachers/Newington which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Estimated Increase</u>
2004-05	\$ 11,901
2005-06	12,970
2006-07	13,520

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of eleven thousand nine hundred one dollars (\$11,901) for the 2004-05 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year. (Majority vote required.) (NOTE: This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article number 1, the operating budget article.)

The Newington School Board and Newington Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Article 3: To see if the Newington School District will raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000 (thirty thousand dollars) to be added to the previously established School Property Maintenance Fund, a non capital reserve fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1-c; for the purpose of repairing and maintaining the school buildings and grounds. (NOTE: This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article number 1, the operating budget article.)

The Newington School Board and Newington Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Article 4: To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees and/or officers therefore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

Article 5: To transact any further business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seals at said Newington this 18th day of February 2004.

A true copy of warrant – Attest:

/s/ *Jack Anderson*

Deirdre Link

Helen Maldini (Chairperson)

Newington School Board

NEWINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

2004

The State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the School District of the Town of Newington, in the County of Rockingham and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote upon district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Newington Town Hall in said District on Tuesday, March 9, 2004, at 11:00 o'clock in the forenoon until 7:00 o'clock in the evening, to vote on the following:

1. To choose one (1) Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
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A true copy of warrant – Attest:

*/s/ Jack Anderson
Deirdre Link
Helen Maldini (Chairperson)*

Newington School Board

SCHOOL BUDGET FORM

BUDGET FORM FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS WHICH HAVE ADOPTED
THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 32:24

OF: Newington NH

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Fiscal Year From July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005

IMPORTANT:

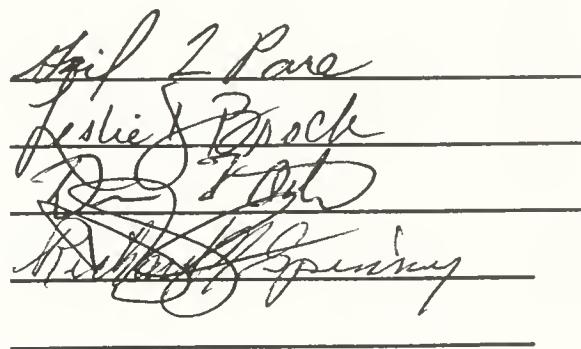
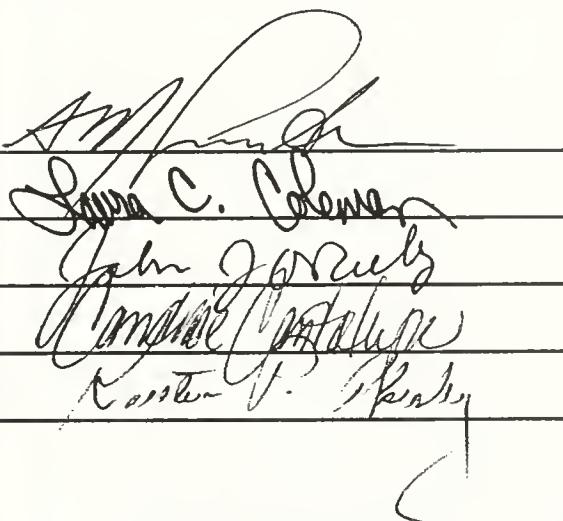
Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list ALL APPROPRIATIONS in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the school clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below.

We Certify This Form Was Posted on (Date): February 17, 2004

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Please sign in ink.



THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE SCHOOL WARRANT

FOR DRA USE ONLY

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION
MUNICIPAL FINANCE BUREAU
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
(603)271-3397

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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,Y)	WARR. ART #	Expenditures for Year 7/1/02 to 6/30/03	Appropriations Current Year as Approved by DRA	School Board's Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year				Budget Committee's Approv. Ensuing Fiscal Year
	INSTRUCTION (1000-1999)		XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX
1100-1199	Regular Programs		676,830	767,590	799,953				799,953
1200-1299	Special Programs		118,207	157,748	141,968				141,968
1300-1399	Vocational Programs								
1400-1499	Other Programs		5,722	6,591	10,188				10,188
1500-1599	Non-Public Programs								
1600-1899	Adult & Community Programs								
	SUPPORT SERVICES (2000-2999)		XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX
2000-2199	Student Support Services		34,376	46,099	52,582				52,582
2200-2299	Instructional Staff Services		15,451	18,149	21,392				21,392
	General Administration		XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX
2310-2440	School Board Contingency								
2310-2319	Other School Board		15,576	16,415	15,820				15,820
	Executive Administration		XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX
2320-310	SAU Management Services		93,807	93,835	110,146				110,146
2320-2399	All Other Administration								
2400-2499	School Administration Service		84,780	87,538	90,981				90,981
2500-2599	Business		1,618	2,400	1,800				1,800
2600-2699	Operation & Maintenance of Plant		70,015	69,933	77,237				77,237
2700-2799	Student Transportation		69,392	83,193	66,312				66,312
2800-2999	Support Service Central & Other		123,415	141,223	165,011				165,011
3000-3999	NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES								
4000-4999	FACILITIES ACQUISITIONS & CONSTRUCTION		20,197	750	1,000				1,000
	OTHER OUTLAYS (5000-5999)		XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX
5110	Debt Service - Principal			100,000					
5120	Debt Service - Interest			4,413					

FY Ending June 30, 2005

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Amount of line 5252 which is for Health Maintenance Trust \$ 0
* (see BSA 198-205 V)

If you have a line item of appropriations from more than one warrant article, please use the space below to identify the make-up of the line total for the ensuing year.

****SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES****

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3, VI, as appropriations: 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriations to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trust funds; 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferrable article.

INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". Examples of individual warrant articles might be: 1) Negotiated cost items for labor agreements; 2) Leases; 3) Supplemental appropriations for the current year for which funding is already available; or 4) Deficit appropriations for the current year which must be funded through taxation.

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Acct.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.#	Actual Revenues	Revised Revenues	Estimated Revenues
			Prior Year	Current Year	ENSUING FISCAL YEAR
REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES					
1300-1349	Tuition				
1400-1449	Transportation Fees				
1500-1599	Earnings on Investments		1,087	200	300
1600-1699	Food Service Sales		10,335	10,500	12,000
1700-1799	Student Activities				
1800-1899	Community Services Activities				
1900-1999	Other Local Sources		2,200	2,300	2,000
REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES					
3210	School Building Aid		31,442	1,441	1,441
3220	Kindergarten Aid				
3230	Catastrophic Aid		1,066	1,019	1,019
3240-3249	Vocational Aid				
3250	Adult Education				
3260	Child Nutrition				
3270	Driver Education				
3290-3299	Other State Sources				
REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES					
4100-4539	Federal Program Grants		4,552	300	2,300
4540	Vocational Education				
4550	Adult Education				
4560	Child Nutrition		2,442	2,400	2,400
4570	Disabilities Programs				
4580	Medicaid Distribution		5,207	500	5,000
4590-4999	Other Federal Sources (except 4810)				
4810	Federal Forest Reserve				
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES					
5110-5139	Sale of Bonds or Notes				
5221	Transfer from Food Service-Spec.Rev.Fund				
5222	Transfer from Other Special Revenue Funds				
5230	Transfer from Capital Project Funds				
5251	Transfer from Capital Reserve Funds				

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Acct.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.#	Actual Revenues	Revised Revenues	Estimated Revenues
			Prior Year	Current Year	ENSUING FISCAL YEAR
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES CONT.					
5252	Transfer from Expendable Trust Funds				
5253	Transfer from Non-Expendable Trust Funds				
5300-5699	Other Financing Sources				
5140	This Section for Calculation of RAN's (Reimbursement Anticipation Notes) Per RSA 198:20-D for Catastrophic Aid Borrowing RAN, Revenue This FY _____ less RAN, Revenue Last FY _____ =NET RAN				
	Supplemental Appropriation (Contra)				
	Voted From Fund Balance				
	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		49,285	58,077	70,000
	Total Estimated Revenue & Credits		107,616	76,737	96,460

BUDGET SUMMARY

	Current Year Adopted Budget	School Board's Recommended Budget	Budget Committee's Recommended Budget
SUBTOTAL 1 Appropriations Recommended (from page 3)	1,558,449	1,586,970	1,586,970
SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 4)	0	30,000	30,000
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 4)	0	11,901	11,901
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	1,558,449	1,628,871	1,628,871
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	76,737	96,460	96,460
Less: Amount of Cost of Adequate Education (State Tax/Grant)*	0	0	0
Estimated Amount of Local Taxes to be Raised For Education	1,481,712	0	0

Maximum Allowable Increase to Budget Committee's Recommended Budget per RSA 32:18:
(See Supplemental Schedule With 10% Calculation)

*Note: You will also be required to pay a State Education Tax RSA 76:3 and you may be required to pay an additional excess education tax in the amount of \$ _____.

BUDGET COMMITTEE SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE
(For Calculating 10% Maximum Increase)
(RSA 32:18, 19, & 32:31)

VERSION #2: Use if you have Collective Bargaining Cost Items

LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNIT: Newington

FISCAL YEAR END:

June 30, 2005

Col. A

	RECOMMENDED AMOUNT		
1. Total RECOMMENDED by Budget Committee (see budget MS7, 27, or 37)	1,628,871		
LESS EXCLUSIONS:			
2. Principle: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	0		
3. Interest: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	0		
4. Capital Outlays Funded From Long-Term Bonds & Notes per RSA 33:8 & 33:7-b	0		
5. Mandatory Assessment	110,146		
6. TOTAL EXCLUSIONS (Sum of rows 2-5)	< 110,146 >		
7. Amount recommended less recommended exclusion amounts (Line 1 less Line 6)	1,518,725		
8. Line 7 times 10%	151,872		
9. Maximum allowable appropriation prior to vote (Line 1 + 8)	1,780,743		
10. Collective Bargaining Cost Items, RSA 32:19 & 273-A:1, VI, (Complete Col. A prior to meeting & Col. B and Col. C at meeting)	Cost items recommended 11,901	Cost items voted	Amt. Voted above recommended

MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE APPROPRIATIONS VOTED

At meeting, add Line 9 + Column C

\$ _____ . _____

Line 8 plus any not recommended collective bargaining cost items or increases to cost items voted is the maximum allowable increase to budget committee's recommended budget. Please enter this amount on the bottom of the posted budget form, MS7, 27, or 37.

**REPORT OF
THE SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER**

Fiscal year July 1, 2002, to June 30, 2003

Cash on hand July 1, 2002.....	\$104,875.45
Received from Selectmen.....	
Current Appropriation.....	1,009,234.00
Deficit Appropriation.....	
Advance on Next Year's Appropriation.....	
Revenue from State Sources.....	473,905.12
Revenue from Federal Sources.....	8,890.34
Received from Tuitions.....	
Income from Trust Funds.....	
Received from Sale of Notes and Bonds.....	16,625.69
Received from all Other Sources.....	
	\$1,508,655.15
Total Receipts.....	
	1,613,530.60
Total Available for Fiscal Year.....	1,474,169.42
Less School Board Orders Paid.....	\$ 139,361.18
Balance on Hand June 30, 2003.....	

Deirdre Link
School District Treasurer

July 29, 2003

REPORT OF THE NEWINGTON SCHOOL BOARD

It has been a year of change for the Newington School Board, with the resignation of School Board Chair, Terri Spinney, and the appointment to the board of Deirdre Link. Also, the school district was fortunate to select Helen Rist as our new principal. Helen has been a refreshing addition to our school and has done an outstanding job involving herself with the staff in all aspects of the Newington School, from the curriculum to the needs of the individual student.

A major school initiative is the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) accreditation. The accreditation is in the final stages of a three-year process, which involves our administrator, teachers, and members of the community. This fall, we look forward to a visitation of outside professionals for our evaluation. There are only a few elementary schools in New England that achieve this highly regarded accreditation.

The impact of the No Child Left Behind legislation has been, and will continue to be, of great importance to us. The Newington School Board has continued to stay updated with the current state and federal laws.

Of the many committees we are involved in, the Secondary School Advisory is keeping us updated with programs and opportunities that are offered to our students at Portsmouth High School, including the construction of the new facility. Recently, a Newington School Board member was invited to participate on the Portsmouth Middle School Needs Assessment Study Committee, involving the assessment of the curriculum along with the current building use. We are very fortunate to have these lines of communication between our school districts.

The school board meets the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m., at the school. Board meetings are open to the public, and your attendance is welcome. If you would like to address the board at any meeting, please feel free to contact the Superintendent of Schools at 422-9572, and ask to be placed on the agenda.

The Newington School Board would like to thank parents, Newington School Supporters, and the community for its involvement and continuing support of the school system. Your efforts can be seen throughout our school and directly affect the students' enrichment.

In conclusion, we would like to recognize and thank Terri Spinney for her ten years of service. Terri served as a tireless and outspoken advocate of quality education for the children of Newington. She has earned the trust and respect of her colleagues, community members, and the educational community.

Jack Anderson
Deirdre Link
Helen Maldini (Chairperson),
Newington School Board

"A School is a Place with Tomorrow Inside"

George A. Cushing
Superintendent of SAU 50

It is my pleasure to submit my fourth annual report to the residents of Newington.

This has been a year of transition as we said good-bye to longtime School Board member, Terri Spinney, and welcomed new principal, Helen Rist.

Ms. Rist comes to Newington with much experience in education. In her career, she has served as a classroom teacher, a special education teacher, a reading specialist and an assistant principal. She has been warmly received by the students, staff, and parents.

The Newington Public School has dynamic parent and community support. The Newington School Supporters are active and engaged in the school. One of their initiatives has been their funding of the school's *Artists in Residence* Program. One only has to enter the school to see the student created, ceramic mural on the wall that was produced as a result of this program. Another example of the Supporters' assistance was their help in funding the upgrade of the school's technology program. As Superintendent, I am grateful for the strong support of the school by the residents, especially in this era of Donor Towns. I will work with the selectmen to position Newington in the best possible way for the State's FY 05 budget.

Teaching, Learning and Assessment in SAU 50

When I was elected to be SAU 50's Superintendent, it was my feeling that we were blessed with outstanding schools, employees, communities, and especially children. I also felt that there were a few things that we needed to improve, especially in light of a rapidly changing educational landscape. Primarily, I believed we needed to develop an infrastructure within SAU 50 that:

- evaluates, supports, and makes changes in curriculum and instruction;
- delivers professional development that is connected to instruction;
- provides a teacher evaluation model that distinguishes between inexperienced teachers, experienced teachers, and those in need of improvement;
- collects data to support decision-making.

All of the above components are embedded within the recently approved Professional Development Master Plan. Its implementation is my overriding goal.

The Professional Development Master Plan requires a system of curriculum review and assessment to evaluate what is working and what is not. It answers the questions:

1. Is our curriculum aligned to state standards?
2. Where is our curriculum in need of expansion?
3. Where is our curriculum redundant?

Curriculum mapping is the vehicle we have chosen to meet this requirement. A curriculum map is a tool and a process that helps teachers examine what content and skills are being taught; and what activities, assessments, and essential questions are associated with each content area.

Our Master Plan calls for the development of in-building curriculum councils or teams. This structure allows teachers to formally review the data, assess what is being taught, and how it is being taught. Teachers also reflect on instructional practices and share resources.

At the SAU level, we have established a Curriculum Cabinet. At this level, we have parental involvement, a School Board representative, administrators, teachers, a representative from the Portsmouth School Department, university personnel, community members and representatives from the Professional Development Committee.

The tasks of this Cabinet are:

- to facilitate the sharing of resources and personnel who have training in particular instructional methods;
- to connect with the Portsmouth School District for coordinated curriculum and professional development;
- to communicate to the public how we develop and assess curriculum;
- to analyze data looking for trends that would help the Professional Development Committee design professional development in-service days.

We have built the plan's infrastructure, step-by-step, beginning with reflective practice, curriculum mapping and then with differentiated instruction. This year, we completed the teacher evaluation model. This instrument is aligned to the Professional Development Master Plan and will make teacher evaluation a fluid, on-going, reflective, teacher-driven, initiative.

A vision without a plan is only a good idea. Over the last three years, we have taken a vision and developed a solid implementation plan. Our vision is more than a good idea and more than words. It is a blueprint for continuous improvement.

The infrastructure, which has been developed over the last three years, is the work of many dedicated employees and board representatives. I believe we are making good progress and that we are now at a point of managing, sustaining, and supporting full implementation of our initiatives.

Recognition

In closing, I would like to recognize former Board Chair, Terri Spinney, for her many years of dedicated service to the students of Newington. Terri is a strong child advocate and I wish her well in her move to Wolfeboro, N.H.

I am deeply grateful to our School Board members: Chairperson Helen Maldini; Jack Anderson and newly appointed Board member, Deirdre Link. These dedicated volunteers

have put much time and energy, not only with school district matters, but also with the many associated SAU 50 and Portsmouth School District committees such as: policy, technology, curriculum and instruction, professional development, emergency preparedness and building and grounds.

I am also fortunate to serve on an administrative team made up of Principal, Helen Rist; Assistant Superintendent, Michelle Langa; and Business Administrator, Jim Katkin. Helen has done an excellent job working with a very dedicated staff. Together, they have undertaken not only on the accreditation review of the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, but other building initiatives as well. Michelle has been diligent in curriculum oversight, professional development and special education. Jim oversees financial and maintenance matters. I am also grateful to the many devoted staff members throughout the SAU who, on a daily basis, impact student learning and growth.

REPORT OF THE NEWINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOL

January 2004

Helen M. Rist, Principal

Last year at this time I remember sitting in my office as Assistant Principal at a school of 450 students and wondering, "How can I have more of an impact? There must be more I can do as an educator and administrator to shape the paths of these young people." Little did I know that the opportunity I was looking for was only a few miles away, here in the town of Newington. I grew up just on the other side of the bridge and passed through Newington on my way to many places. Last spring I came to interview for the position of principal and to visit the Newington Public School. I knew that day that I would no longer just pass through this quiet, country town. I had found the place where I could have a more profound impact on students and assist a staff of dedicated professionals in their goal of providing the best education they can for all children.

Today, after a short seven months at Newington Public School, I feel so proud to be here and so proud of our school. I have worked with many teachers in my twenty years as an educator. Some of them were excellent, some were not. At Newington Public School you are very fortunate to have the most devoted and talented group of teachers and staff with which I have ever worked. They take incredible pride in their students' achievements and cherish each step a student makes towards becoming an independent, self-motivated learner. They have high expectations of themselves and their students. Each challenge the students face, whether it's academic, emotional, or behavioral in nature, is an opportunity for these teachers to work together to provide a safe, stimulating and successful school experience.

Newington Public School has seen many changes over the past few years. Along with a new principal, there are several new staff members - secretary, food service, physical education, nurse, and a teacher aide. My hope is that this year we will settle into our roles and begin to move forward towards our goals. We have spent some time getting familiar with the unique culture of our small school. We have spent time understanding the history of this school, the desires of the parents and the expectations of the Superintendent. We are ready to tackle the challenges, and complete the mission of our school, "to provide a caring, safe, and enriching environment that empowers children to succeed academically and socially."

Our first challenge is to complete our accreditation process. This school year we will complete our self-study and gather evidence to support each area of that report. In the fall we will host a visiting team of educators who are members of the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. This team will report their findings to the Commission on Public Elementary and Middle Schools. They will spend three days reviewing our work, observing our students and staff, interviewing parents, staff and students, asking questions and taking part in the everyday life at Newington Public School. After, they will compile all of the data they gathered into a report. That report

will provide us with a map to follow that will highlight our areas of strength and areas to retool. It will assist us in budgeting, planning, training and teaching for the next several years.

In addition to completing our accreditation, we are also working on several initiatives which involve all of the schools in S.A.U. 50. Curriculum Mapping and Differentiated Instruction are two of these projects. It is important for us to stay in tuned with the larger schools and to learn and grow as necessary to afford our students the same opportunities that other schools offer.

We have local initiatives that are specific to Newington and equally as important to us. The time has come to develop a new format for reporting progress to parents. Our report card should reflect the way students are taught and should communicate, in a meaningful way, the strengths and areas of concern for each student. Our goal is to have a new document printed and ready for next September.

Language Arts, which includes reading, writing, spelling, and grammar, was a focus last year and will continue to be one for this year and next. We need to be certain that each student that enters school receives all of the building blocks they need in order to become a successful reader by the end of second grade. After grade two there is less time spent learning how to read and more time spent reading to learn. We have planned for and will implement some changes next year that will allow us to catch any student at risk for reading difficulties. We will also provide them with the necessary services early in their school years to ensure their success.

Through the funds provided by the Rural Education Achievement Program (REAP), we were able to purchase twelve laptop computers. This equipment has helped us to take a large step forward in providing our students with the tools they will need to move successfully on to the challenges of middle and high school. I foresee the day that each student at NPS has access to a laptop computer and the knowledge to use that tool to open doors to worlds of knowledge.

The small town feeling and culture of our school is very special. There are not many places left that can provide such a close, caring environment for its students. How wonderful to be able to have teachers who truly know you for seven years. Teachers who can continue to be part of your life after you move to the next grade. Students that you can see each day, and watch grow as they navigate each year of childhood and begin adolescence. We have a unique opportunity at NPS. It is powerful and it is life long. I have watched the beauty of this small school culture. I hope to assist all of us in understanding how much influence this environment can have on each student. Teachers, parents and students can shape the path of each student by the experiences of our days at Newington Public School.

We would not be complete if we didn't focus on our school's facility. The outside and inside of our building should reflect the same pride felt by the students and teachers who come here. The school board has outlined a plan to remodel the kitchen to comply with

the state regulations, to repaint the interior of the building and to remodel the original restrooms. These projects will take a year or two, but they must be planned for now. The exterior will get a new look too. A parent has volunteered to make a sign for the school to be installed this Spring. The Newington School Supporters, our parent group, has agreed to help design and install some plantings in the front of the school. They are also beginning to raise money to replace the play structure outside.

It's an exciting time at Newington Public School. We welcome and request your input and advice as we take on the challenge of educating the future leaders of our town, state, and country. I know it is here that I can make more of a difference. It is here that I can help shape the paths of young people. Thank you for this opportunity.

REPORT OF PORTSMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL
Forrest Ransdell, Principal

Dear Members of the SAU 50 Community:

My name is Forrest Ransdell. I am the new principal of Portsmouth High School. As you may know I replaced long time Principal Rick Gremlitz in July of 2003. Even after just a short time, I can tell you that I am proud to wear the clipper colors and be of service to the greater Portsmouth community. Many people from the communities of Greenland, Newington, New Castle and Rye have made it a point to welcome my family and me. Portsmouth High School provides high quality educational opportunities and I am proud to be associated with such a school. It is true that any school is a reflection of the community that it serves. Portsmouth High School reflects well upon you all.

There are several areas about which I would like to update you. Any change considered or implemented has been, and will continue, to strive to bring about the child specific education that the Portsmouth School Department believes in. The first is changes in the guidance department. The department has undertaken reorganization. Portsmouth High School now has a dedicated college preparation counselor who, in conjunction with the senior counselor, meets individually with students in order to facilitate the college selection and application process. This has been a successful process. To date, over 600 college applications have been processed through the guidance office.

The construction process for the new high school is well advanced. As of this writing, classes will be moved to the new building during the February vacation week. A ribbon cutting and/or dedication ceremony is being planned. Details will be made available as they develop.

As we move through the school year, Portsmouth High School continues to grow and evolve. The New England Association of Schools and Colleges awarded full accreditation to Portsmouth High School last year. There were many commendations and several groups of recommendations that we are working to address. A copy of this report is available in the high school library.

We are always interested in maintaining open lines of communication with members of our community. As of now, over 60% of families receive regular email regarding school news and events. Access to student grades is available through a secure website. For information, or to add your name to the email list serve, please contact m.rahn@portsmouth.k12.nh.us.

TUITION PUPILS

2003/2004

Attending Portsmouth Middle School

Grade 7

Kyle Bowser
Louise Daigle
Elizabeth Devinezenzo
Kiersten Koenig
Christopher MacDonald
Jeffrey Merehant
Collin Stern
Joseph Tammik
Zachary Taylor
Glenn Trefethen
Adam Webber

Grade 8

Daniel Corey
Jessica Eames
Lauren Guy
Danielle Leger
Zachary Leighton
Colby Maldini
William Pickering
Travis Watson
Adam Webber
Stacy Wong

Attending Portsmouth High School

Grade 9

Alexander Amorelli
Samuel Boynton
Alanna Holtel
Christopher Koenig
Joseph Naveleski
Scott Nichols
Sydne Pouliotte
Samantha Spinney
Joseph Walsh
Diana Wong

Grade 10

Courtney Church
Lucy Daigle
Nicholas Field
Samantha Kelly
Kathleen Low
Frederick Pickering
Douglass Robertson

Grade 11

Kyle Anderson
Trevor Baker-Small
Charlotte Borkland
Crystal Gordon
Adrian Link
David Poulin
Laura Sabine
Shane Tomlinson
Ryan Watson

Grade 12

Jane Borkland
Jenna Guy
Andrew Hislop
Harinaraya Khalsa
Satnarayan Khalsa
Holly Spinney
Laura Spinney
Justin Webber

NEWINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT STATISTICS

Newington Public School Enrollment as of October 1, 2003

<u>GRADE</u>	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	TOTAL
<u>PUPILS</u>	7	7	4	2	11	5	10	46

Pupils Tuitioned to Portsmouth as of October 1, 2003

<u>GRADE</u>	7	8	9	10	11	12	TOTAL
<u>PUPILS</u>	11	9	10	7	9	8	54

School District Census Report of September 30, 2003

<u>Years of Age</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Birth to age 1	1	0	1
1	1	0	1
2	1	1	2
3	0	3	3
4	2	2	4
5	2	5	7
6	2	6	8
7	3	3	6
8	4	2	6
9	6	5	11
10	5	3	8
11	6	6	12
12	12	4	16
13	6	3	9
14	6	6	12
15	4	5	9
16	7	3	10
17	6	9	15
18	4	5	9
TOTALS	78	71	149

STAFF MEMBERS

NEWINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

Pat Aichele -- Special Education Coordinator *

Elizabeth Brown -- Grade 3-4 Teacher

Aimee Claffey -- Paraprofessional *

Marian Connelly -- Occupational Therapist *

Mary Desjarlais -- Food Service Director *

Carla Gamari -- Technology Coordinator *

Megan Guare -- Grade 1 - 2 Teacher

Jo Haskell -- Librarian *

Maureen Hazell -- Nurse/Health Educator *

John Hinton -- Custodian

Janice Irving -- Physical Education *

Sara LaCasse -- Art Teacher *

Marcia Leach -- Music Teacher *

Kim Lodge -- Grade 5 - 6 Teacher

Linda Loewy -- Paraprofessional *

Victoria Loring -- Secretary

Linda Mahler -- Speech Pathologist *

Suanne Peters -- Kindergarten Teacher *

Hal Posselt -- Guidance Counselor *

Helen Rist -- Teaching Principal

Katherine Wayss -- Paraprofessional *

Sheri Whitworth -- Early Childhood Educator *

* Part-time

Robert W. Brewster, Certified Public Accountant

Gideon Walker House

154 Maplewood Av. Portsmouth, NH 03801

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Newington School Board
Newington School District
Newington, NH 03801

I have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Newington, New Hampshire, School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2003, listed in the foregoing table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the District's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general purpose financial statement presentation. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion.

In accordance with the practices followed by other municipal entities in the State (Note 1- Accounting Policies), the combined financial statements referred to above do not include financial statements of the General Fixed Asset Account Group, which should be included to conform with generally accepted accounting principles.

In my opinion, except for the omission of the financial statements described above resulting in an incomplete presentation, the combined financial statements referred to above present fairly the financial position of Newington, New Hampshire, School District at June 30, 2003, and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

My examination was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the combined general purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The accompanying supplemental combining financial statements listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the combined general purpose financial statements of Newington, New Hampshire, School District. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the examination of the basic financial statements and, in my opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the combined general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.



Portsmouth, New Hampshire
December 16, 2003

NEWINGTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE, SCHOOL DISTRICT

COMBINED BALANCE SHEET
ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS
JUNE 30, 2003

	Governmental Fund Types			Fiduciary Fund	Account Group
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Expendable Trust	General Long-Term Debt
ASSETS:					
Cash	\$58,249	\$ -	\$20,222	\$60,891	\$ -
Accounts receivable	-	-	-	-	-
Due from other governments	4,862	211	-	-	-
Due from other funds	164	1,654	-	-	-
Inventories	-	446	-	-	-
Amount to be provided for employee compensated absences	-	-	-	-	62,740
Amount to be provided for retirement of long-term debt	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL ASSETS	\$63,275	\$2,311	\$20,222	\$60,891	\$62,740
LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE:					
Liabilities:					
Intergovernmental payables	\$ 81	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Accounts payable	3,462	47	-	-	-
Due to other funds	1,654	164	-	-	-
Employee compensated absences	-	-	-	-	62,740
Bonds payable	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	5,197	211	-	-	62,740
Fund Balance (Deficit):					
Reserved for inventories	-	446	-	-	-
Unreserved	58,078	-	-	-	-
Reserved for special purpose	-	1,654	20,222	60,891	-
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	58,078	2,100	20,222	60,891	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	\$63,275	\$2,311	\$20,222	\$60,891	\$62,740

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

Totals	
(Memorandum Only)	
(Note 1)	
2003	2002
\$139,362	\$104,876
-	-
5,073	1,662
1,818	1,793
446	369
62,740	61,049
-	100,000
\$209,439	\$269,749
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\$ 81	\$ 3,737
3,509	3,190
1,818	1,793
62,740	61,049
-	100,000
68,148	169,769
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446	369
58,078	49,285
82,767	50,326
141,291	99,980
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\$209,439	\$269,749

NEWINGTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE, SCHOOL DISTRICT

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES AND EXPENDABLE TRUSTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2003

	Governmental Fund Types			Fiduciary Fund
	General Fund	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Expendable Trust
REVENUE:				
District tax appropriation	\$1,009,234	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Intergovernmental	479,112	6,994	-	-
Food and milk sales	-	10,335	-	-
Interest and other	146	2,200	229	712
TOTAL REVENUE	1,488,492	19,529	229	712
EXPENDITURES:				
Instruction	894,672	3,095	-	-
Supporting Services:				
Student services	29,432	-	-	-
Instructional	15,419	2,157	-	-
General administrative-SAU level	110,002	-	-	-
School administrative & business	107,902	-	-	-
Student transportation	69,392	-	-	-
Centralized services	2,532	-	-	-
Operation of plant	77,180	-	-	-
Food service	-	31,334	-	-
Facility acquisition & construction	20,198	-	-	-
Debt service - interest	4,413	-	-	-
- principal	100,000	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	1,431,142	36,586	-	-
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER(UNDER) EXPENDITURES	57,350	(17,057)	229	712
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Operating Transfers In	-	18,557	-	30,000
Operating Transfers Out	(48,557)	-	-	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(48,557)	18,557	-	30,000
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	8,793	1,500	229	30,712
FUND BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	49,285	154	19,993	30,179
FUND BALANCE AT END OF YEAR	\$ 58,078	\$ 1,654	\$20,222	\$60,891

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

Totals	
(Memorandum Only)	
(Note 1)	
2003	2002
\$1,009,234	\$ 944,587
486,106	464,082
10,335	13,542
3,287	1,983
<u>1,508,962</u>	<u>1,424,194</u>
 897,767	875,869
29,432	31,326
17,576	11,817
110,002	108,877
107,902	114,275
69,392	63,615
2,532	3,307
77,180	61,472
31,334	29,884
20,198	48,668
4,413	8,787
<u>100,000</u>	<u>100,000</u>
 <u>1,467,728</u>	<u>1,457,897</u>
 41,234	(33,703)
 48,557	44,021
<u>(48,557)</u>	<u>(44,021)</u>
 -	-
 41,234	(33,703)
 99,611	133,314
 <u>\$ 140,845</u>	<u>\$ 99,611</u>

NEWINGTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE, SCHOOL DISTRICT

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL AND SPECIAL REVENUE FUND TYPES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2003

	General Fund			Special Revenue Funds		
	Budget	Actual	Variance	Budget	Actual	Variance
			Favorable (Unfavorable)			Favorable (Unfavorable)
REVENUE:						
District tax appropriation	\$1,009,234	\$1,009,234	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Intergovernmental revenues	472,809	479,112	6,303	3,000	6,994	3,994
Food and milk sales	-	-	-	13,500	10,335	(3,165)
Other revenue	1,100	146	(954)	-	2,200	2,200
TOTAL REVENUE	1,483,143	1,488,492	5,349	16,500	19,529	3,029
EXPENDITURES:						
Instruction	1,003,837	894,672	109,165	1,400	3,095	(1,695)
Supporting services:						
Student services	39,920	29,432	10,488	-	-	-
Instructional	19,956	15,419	4,537	-	2,157	(2,157)
General admin.-SAU level.	93,807	110,002	(16,195)	-	-	-
School admin. & business	109,785	107,902	1,883	-	-	-
Student transportation	44,070	69,392	(25,322)	-	-	-
Centralized services	3,725	2,532	1,193	-	-	-
Operation of plant	63,748	77,180	(13,432)	-	-	-
Food service	-	-	-	33,796	31,334	2,462
Facilities, acquisition and construction	500	20,198	(19,698)	-	-	-
Debt service	104,413	104,413	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	1,483,761	1,431,142	52,619	35,196	36,586	(1,390)
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES						
	(618)	57,350	57,968	(18,696)	(17,057)	1,639
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Operating transfers in	-	-	-	18,696	18,557	(139)
Operating transfers out	(48,696)	(48,557)	139	-	-	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(48,696)	(48,557)	139	18,696	18,557	(139)
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES						
	(49,314)	8,793	58,107	-	1,500	1,500
FUND BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF YEAR						
	49,285	49,285	-	154	154	-
FUND BALANCE AT END OF YEAR	\$ (29)	\$ 58,078	\$ 58,107	\$ 154	\$ 1,654	\$ 1,500

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

Totals (Memorandum Only) (Note 1)		
Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
\$1,009,234	\$1,009,234	\$ -
475,809	486,106	10,297
13,500	10,335	(3,165)
1,100	2,346	1,246
1,499,643	1,508,021	8,378
 1,005,237	 897,767	 107,470
39,920	29,432	10,488
19,956	17,576	2,380
93,807	110,002	(16,195)
109,785	107,902	1,883
44,070	69,392	(25,322)
3,725	2,532	1,193
63,748	77,180	(13,432)
33,796	31,334	2,462
500	20,198	(19,698)
104,413	104,413	-
 1,518,957	 1,467,728	 51,229
 (19,314)	 40,293	 59,607
 18,696	 18,557	 (139)
(48,696)	(48,557)	139
 (30,000)	 (30,000)	 -
 (49,314)	 10,293	 59,607
 49,439	 49,439	 -
 \$ 125	 \$ 59,732	 \$ 59,607

NEWINGTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE, SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2003

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

The accounting policies of the Newington, New Hampshire, School District conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governmental units. The following is a summary of the more significant policies:

A. Basis of Presentation – Fund Accounting

The accounts of the District are organized on the basis of funds and account groups, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund balance, revenues, and expenditures. The various funds are summarized by type in the financial statements. The following fund types and account groups are used by the District:

Governmental Fund Types

Governmental funds are those through which most functions of the District are financed. The acquisition, use and balances of the District's expendable financial resources and the related liabilities are accounted for in this fund. The measurement focus is upon the determination of changes in financial position, rather than upon net income determination. The following are the District's governmental fund types:

General Fund – The General Fund is the general operating fund of the District. All general appropriation and other receipts that are not allocated by law or contractual agreement to another fund are accounted for in this fund. From the fund are paid the general operating expenditures, the fixed charges and the capital improvement costs that are not paid through other funds.

Special Revenue Funds – Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than expendable trust or major capital projects) requiring separate accounting because of legal or regulatory provisions or administrative action. The funds included in this group are the Federal Projects Funds and Food Service Fund.

Capital Projects Funds – Capital Projects Funds are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities – in this case to account for the resources utilized for the renovation of, and addition to, the existing facility.

Account Groups

Account Groups are not "funds." They are concerned only with the measurement of financial position. They are not involved with measurement of results of operations. The District uses the following account groups:

General Fixed Asset Account Group - In accordance with the practices followed by other municipal entities in the State, the District does not record the acquisition of fixed assets in the General Fixed Asset Account Group. Accordingly, a statement of general fixed assets, as required by generally accepted accounting principles, is not included in this financial report. Fixed assets acquired or constructed for general government services are recorded as expenditures in the fund making the expenditures. Funds used to acquire general fixed assets and/or debt service payments on borrowings in connection therewith are accounted for as expenditures in the year payments are made.

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NEWINGTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE, SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2003
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General Long-Term Obligation Account Group – Long-term liabilities expected to be financed from governmental funds are accounted for in the Long-Term Obligation Account Group, not in governmental funds. The account group is not a "fund." It is concerned only with the measurement of financial position. It is not involved with measurement of results of operations.

Other Reporting Treatments - Special reporting treatments are also applied to governmental fund inventories to indicate that they do not represent "available spendable resources," even though they are a component of net current assets. Such amounts are offset by fund balance reserve accounts.

B. Accounting Policies

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All governmental fund types are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities generally are included on a balance sheet. Operating statements of these funds present increases (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets.

Governmental funds follow the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized in the accounting period in which they become available and measurable. Available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. In applying the susceptible to accrual concept to intergovernmental revenues, the legal and contractual requirements of numerous individual programs are used as guidance. There are, however, essentially two types of revenues. In one, monies must be expended on the specific purpose or project before any amount will be paid to the District; therefore, revenues are recognized based upon the expenditures recorded. In the other, monies are virtually unrestricted as to purpose of expenditure and are usually revocable only for failure to comply with prescribed compliance requirements. These resources are reflected as revenues at the time of receipt or earlier if the susceptible to accrual criteria are met. Expenditures are recognized in the accounting period in which the fund liability is incurred, if measurable. Recognized exceptions for the accrual of expenditures include:

1. Disbursements for inventory type items that may be considered expenditures at the time of purchase or at the time the items are used.
2. Prepaid expenses, which are normally not recorded.
3. Accumulated unpaid vacation, sick pay, and other employee amounts which are not accrued.
4. Principal and interest on general long-term debt which is recognized when due.

During the course of normal operations the School District has numerous transactions between funds. These transactions are reflected as transfers. Transfers are recognized in the accounting period in which the interfund receivable and payable arise.

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NEWINGTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE, SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 203
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C. Inventories - Reserve for Inventories

All funds except the school lunch program (Special Revenue) do not record inventories. The school hot lunch program records inventories of food supplies at cost on a first-in, first-out basis. The cost is reported as an expenditure at the time of purchase. Reported inventories are equally offset by a fund balance reserve, which indicates that they do not constitute available spendable resources.

D. Total Data (Memorandum Only) on Combined Statements

The total data are the aggregate of the fund types and account groups. No consolidations or other eliminations were made in arriving at the totals; thus, they do not present consolidated information.

E. Employee Compensated Absences

The District does not accrue accumulated unpaid vacation or sick leave in the general fund because the school district plans to pay these costs from future resources. Accordingly, the accrued sick pay at June 30, 2003, of \$62,740 for the District is added to the General Long-Term Debt Account Group in accordance with National Council on Governmental Accounting Statement 4, "Accounting and Financial Reporting Principles for Claims and Judgments and Compensated Absences."

F. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

2. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS:

The School District's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

RSA 48:16 requires that all funds belonging to the School District shall be deposited in solvent banks within the state, except funds may be deposited in banks outside the state if such banks pledge and deliver collateral to the state treasurer of equal value as the funds deposited. There is no requirement of an in-state bank to collateralize deposits in excess of FDIC insurance.

At June 30, 2003, the cash balances were \$139,362, of which \$100,000 was covered by federal depository insurance.

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NEWINGTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE, SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2003
(Continued)

3. PROPERTY TAXES:

Property taxes levied to support the Newington, New Hampshire, School District are based on the assessed valuation of the prior April 1st for all taxable real property.

Under State statutes, the Town of Newington, New Hampshire (an independent governmental unit) collects school district taxes as part of local property tax assessments. As collection agent, the Town is required to pay to the District its share of property tax assessments through periodic payments based on cash flow requirements of the District. The Town assumes financial responsibility for all uncollected property taxes under State statutes.

4. FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

The District entered into a long-term contract with an independent bus company to provide pupil transportation until June 30, 2004. Terms of the contract include minimum payments plus escalators tied to the consumer price index. The minimum future payment for the year ended June 30, 2004, based on the current number of buses in use and current bus routes is \$43,300.

5. GENERAL LONG-TERM DEBT:

General governmental liabilities for retirement of long-term debts are accounted for in the general long-term debt group, except for general obligations debt intended to be serviced by the earnings of an enterprise fund. Amounts due in future periods on long-term debt recorded in the account group are provided by appropriation each year.

At June 30, 2002 the general long-term debt of the District consists of:

1999 Serial Bonds, due in annual installments of \$97,000 in January 2000 and \$100,000 thereafter, plus semi-annual interest of 4.7%, through January, 2003.

The debt was extinguished January, 2003

Principal payments with terms in excess of one year mature as follows:

January 2003	100,000
	<u>\$100,000</u>

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NEWINGTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE, SCHOOL DISTRICT

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2003

	Federal Projects	Private Projects	School Lunch Programs	Totals
ASSETS:				
Due from other governments	\$ 28	\$ -	\$183	\$ 211
Due from other funds	-	1,654	-	1,654
Inventories	-	-	446	446
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 28	\$1,654	\$629	\$2,311
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE:				
Liabilities:				
Due to other governments	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 47	\$ 47
Due to other funds	28	-	136	164
TOTAL LIABILITIES	28	-	183	211
Fund Balance:				
Reserved for special purposes	-	1,654	-	1,654
Reserved for inventories	-	-	446	446
Unreserved	-	-	-	-
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	-	1,654	446	2,100
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	\$ 28	\$1,654	\$629	\$2,311

NEWINGTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE, SCHOOL DISTRICT

COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
ALL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2003

	Federal Projects	Private Projects	School Lunch Program	Totals
REVENUES:				
Intergovernmental	\$ 4,552	\$ -	\$ 2,422	\$ 6,994
Other revenue	-	2,200	-	2,200
Food and milk sales	-	-	10,335	10,335
TOTAL REVENUES	4,552	2,200	12,777	19,529
EXPENDITURES:				
Food service	-	-	31,334	31,334
Instruction	3,095	-	-	3,095
Instruction support	1,457	700	-	2,157
Operation of plant	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	4,552	700	31,334	36,586
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES		1,500	(18,557)	(17,057)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
Operating Transfer-In	-	-	18,557	18,557
Operating Transfer-out	-	-	-	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	-	-	18,557	18,557
EXCESS OF REVENUE AND OTHER SOURCES OVER EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES		1,500	-	1,500
FUND BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	-	154	-	154
FUND BALANCE AT END OF YEAR	\$ -	\$ 1,654	\$ -	\$ 1,654



Newington Transfer Station 2004 Schedule

All dates are Saturdays, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

April 3	May 1	June 5	July 3
10	8	12	10
17	15	19	17
24	22	26	24
31	29		31
August 7	September	October 2	November
14	4	9	6
21	11	16	13
28	18	23	20
	25	30	27

The Transfer Station is closed December through March except for a January opening, weather permitting.

Transfer Station Regulations

Newington Residents,

The Transfer Station will be open starting Saturday, April 3, 2004.

The Transfer Station is available to residents to dispose of items not acceptable on Wednesdays' curbside collections.

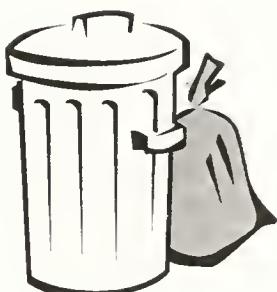
It is not available for use by businesses including businesses on residential sites. Also, major clean up of residential properties and residential construction projects are the responsibility of the property owner to contract with a private collector.

Prohibited Materials

- No Garbage- household garbage is picked up curbside
- Sealed Containers of any kind
- Stones, cement or cement blocks
- No hazardous Waste Products of any kind
- Air Conditioners
- Gas or Oil (engines must be drained & all caps and plugs removed)
- No liquid products (paint cans are acceptable provided that covers are removed and any remaining paint has dried)

Wood Pile

- NO painted wood, only unpainted wood can be placed in the chipping pile
- NO chemically treated wood can be accepted. This includes wood products treated with preservatives. See the attendant for a separate disposal location for this type of treated wood.



Town Library Hours

The Newington Town Library is open the following hours:

Tuesday	3:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday	12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Thursday	10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Friday	10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Saturday	10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Town Office Hours

The Newington Town Office is open Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. through 4:30 p.m.

The Building Department is open Monday through Thursday 7:00 a.m. through 4:00 p.m.

The Town Clerk/ Tax Collector's Office is open Tuesday through Thursday, 10:00 a.m. through 3:00 p.m.

2004 Holiday Schedule

The Town Offices will be closed the following holidays:

Martin Luther King Day Observed	Monday	January 19, 2004
Presidents Day	Monday	February 16, 2004
Memorial Day Observed	Monday	May 31, 2004
Independence Day	Monday	July 5, 2004
Labor Day	Monday	September 6, 2004
Columbus Day Observed	Monday	October 11, 2004
Veteran's Day	Thursday	November 11, 2004
Thanksgiving	Thursday	November 25, 2004
Day after Thanksgiving	Friday	November 26, 2004
Day before Christmas	Friday	December 24, 2004
New Year's Eve	Friday	December 31, 2004

Newington Town Directory

In An Emergency Dial 911

Town Offices	436-7640
Extensions:	
Administrative Assistant to the Selectmen	10
Building Inspector	13
Health and Welfare Officer	16
Secretary/ Receptionist	12
Sewer Department	19
Town Clerk/ Tax Collector	14
Town Planner	17
Town Offices Fax	436-7188
Town Offices Website	www.newington.nh.us
Police Department	431-5461
Police Department Fax	431-3998
Fire Department	436-9441
Fire Department Fax	430-2007
Elementary School	436-1482
Elementary School Fax	427-0692
Library	436-5154
Town Garage (Road Agent)	436-6829
Old Town Hall	436-8078
Old Stone School	436-3227
Treatment Plant	431-4111
Treatment Plant Fax	431-0710

